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POLICE/FIRE



Turley Publications staff photos by Eileen Kennedy
Palmer Police Chief John Janulewicz, right, took off his chief's badge and handed it to his successor, the town's newest police chief, Christopher Burns, during his retirement party last Friday.

Police chief honored on last day

Several hundred wish him well

By Eileen Kennedy
Staff writer

PALMER — Several hundred people came by over two hours to say good-bye to Palmer Police Chief John Janulewicz last Friday at the Police Station, upon his retirement.

One of them was State Rep. Todd Smola, R-Warren, who brought a State House resolution recognizing Janulewicz's career and retirement.

"This has been read into the record at the StateHouse," he told them as he read a description of Janulewicz's career and what he meant to the town.

"Mr. Janulewicz, who has had

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EQUINE



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A set of 10 greeting cards for \$25 featuring horses from Blue Star Equiculture will be available to help with the nonprofit's last days. Homes have been found for all its working horses but expenses will continue until they horses have been moved.

Notecards to help Blue Star Equiculture

By Eileen Kennedy
Staff writer

PALMER — Artist Susan Tilton Pecora and writer Suzanne Strempek Shea, longtime friends of Blue Star Equiculture, have developed a set of greeting cards with paintings of the draft horses and essays to help with the sanctuary's last days.

The two Palmer women were former Blue Star neighbors back when the farm was in Palmer, and

have been working on a book of Blue Star paintings and essays for several years, said Shea.

"Unfortunately time ran out for Blue Star before we could finish the book," said Shea. "So we decided to put together greeting cards.

While they still hope to produce a book, due to the impending closing of Blue Star in March, they have turned that effort into a series of note cards to try to raise some funds more quickly in these final months. Blue Star still has to feed the horses and provide veterinary

COMMUNITY

SMOC and partners complete project

By Jonah Snowden
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THREE RIVERS — South Middlesex Opportunity Council, Quaboag Valley Community Development Corporation and the town of Palmer have successfully worked together to revitalize a property on Main Street and the hope is it will help revitalize the village of Three Rivers.

Among the groups' goals was the rehabilitation of a commercial and residential property on Main Street in Three Rivers. Now, residents and entrepreneurs have the option to rent out either floor of this building, with commercial space on the first floor and a two-bedroom apartment on the second floor.

SMOC pursued the refurbishing project because since 1997 commercial activity in the village

has declined. SMOC and its participating partners wanted to bring hope and leadership to the village and return it to the lively place of business it once was. Now that it is completed, the refurbished building can help bring more traffic down to the village.

The commercial area has a 1,200 square-foot space, 1,000 square feet of basement storage, an entry porch, outdoor seating, air conditioning as well as other features. The second floor is a two-bedroom apartment with a living room, dining room, open kitchen, food pantry, washer and dryer, linen closet, balcony, air conditioning units and other features.

Robert S. Haveles, president of the Palmer Historical, and Cultural Center, and principal, treasurer, and architect of Architectural Insights Inc., said he worked on the designs,



Turley Publications courtesy photo
In Three Rivers, a newly refurbished building by South Middlesex Opportunity Council provides both housing and business opportunities, and is available to rent. Hope to help revitalize Three Rivers

and A-Crane Construction Co., which did the construction, spent a year refurbishing the building, and it has been a long, yet rewarding

process. As a longtime Palmer resident, Haveles said when he was ap-

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EDUCATION

Winter Carnival IN MONSON



The Monson High School senior boys team practicing for the competition. More photos on page 8.

Turley Publications staff photos by Jonah Snowden

COMMUNITY

A night of food, laughs and fun

By Jonah Snowden
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MONSON — Residents who are interested in a night of fun, food, and laughter are invited to the Quaboag Hills Chamber of Commerce's 3rd annual QHCC Comedy Night on Feb. 8, at the Quaboag Country Club, located 70 Palmer Rd., Monson.

The nonprofit membership-based organization is hosting this event as a fundraiser, and the proceeds will go toward a grant they issue at their awards dinner. Before the show, guests who would like a meal can order a spaghetti and meatball dinner with garlic bread and a salad for \$12 per person.

Lenny Weake, president of the QHCC, said he is very excited for this event, since each year has been fun and successful, and definitely encourages fans to attend the event.

"I'm really excited about it, I think that it's so much fun," said Weake. "It's so nice to have something in right in our area, so no one has have to travel outside. Every year it's a lot of fun, a blast, and a great night out for family."

Comedians scheduled to perform on Feb. 8 are Steve Nagle, Linda Belt, and Dr. Jay Sutay. Nagle, a morning show producer at Rock 102 FM, has been described by Weake as a strong supporter of the QHCC, and he said he cannot wait to watch him perform on Friday.

Sutay has been described the self-proclaimed "Hardest Working Pediatrician in Comedy." Usually, Sutay brings his tales from the exam rooms, his experience working with children and their parents, and the challenges of fathering his two daughters to his stand-up comedy shows.

He began comedy in 1983

while attending Fairfield University, at Open Mic Night at the Treehouse Comedy Club, when it was originally in the basement of the New England Motor Lodge in Westport. After graduating in 1985, and completing his medical school training at The University of Connecticut School of Medicine in 1990, he was certain his interest in comedy was finished. In wasn't until 2006, that Sutay resurrected his career in comedy, and since then has made great strides as a local comedian. Accomplishments include becoming a finalist in Funniest Comic in New England Contest in 2012, Funniest Comic on the East Coast Contest in 2014, and being named one of Hartford's best local comics in the Hartford Courant.

For Belt, moving to 1987 was one of the leading factors that inspired her to do comedy. After becoming tired of serving as a suburban pillar of the community, she

decided to pick up the microphone herself. Because of her diverse subject matter such as marriage, parenting, social mores and more, Belt has performed in a number of comedy festivals, such as the Hogtown Comedy Festival in Toronto, the Detroit Comedy Festival, the Long Island Comedy Festival, the Women of Comedy Festival and many more. She has also been profiled in the Hartford Courant, the Chicago Tribune, the New Jersey Star Ledger, and has appeared on affiliates of NBC, ABC, and PBS.

To purchase tickets, and to learn more about the event, call 413-283-2418, or visit qhma.com. The those who purchase tickets for the spaghetti dinner will have a chance to eat at 6 p.m., before the comedy show begins at 7:30 p.m. Tickets for the dinner and comedy must be purchased separately, and can be ordered anytime before the event.



Palmer meetings

- Monday, Feb. 10**
Palmer Town Council Public Hearing, scheduled for Feb. 10, at 6:30 p.m., in the Palmer Administration Building, 4417 Main St., Palmer.
- Wednesday, Feb. 12**
Palmer Fire and Water District Meeting, scheduled for Feb. 12, at 9:15 a.m., at 10 Walnut St.
- Thursday, Feb. 13**
Community Development Public Hearing, scheduled for Feb. 13, at 6:00 p.m., in the Palmer Administration Building, 4417 Main St., Palmer.

Monson’s CPA application deadline is Feb. 28

MONSON – Monson has had the benefit of the Community Preservation Act for 12 years. It has collected over \$1.9 million, which has been matched by the state at an average rate of 82 percent, making the total Monson has received from the commonwealth \$1.40 million. Our grand total is \$3.34 million for projects in Monson.

This money can only be used for historic restoration or preservation, open space preservation, creation or restoration of outdoor recreation project and low to moderate-income housing supports. The money does not go into the general fund at any time; it is reserved for CPA appropriate projects only.

The Committee is currently accepting applications for the Annual Town Meeting in the spring. The deadline for submitting applications is Feb. 28. The application is available online at the town website at <http://www.monson-ma.gov> under Boards and Committees. If someone has a project relating to historical preservation, open space, recreation or community housing, the committee encourages residents to submit an application for funding. Anyone with questions, please feel free to attend a CPC meeting; check the town website for monthly meeting times.

Information on the kinds of projects that are appropriate for CPA funds is also available on the town website. Please submit seven copies of the application to the Monson CPC at 110 Main Street, Monson, MA 01057. The committee also appreciates receiving an electronic copy at monsoncommunitypreservation@gmail.com.

To pre-fill and print an application, go to Boards and Committees, then click on Community Preservation. Once on the CPA page, users will see the grant application is one of the options on the left-hand side.

Town census should be mailed to Town Clerk

PALMER – The 2020 Town of Palmer Census forms were mailed. Please return them to the Town Clerk’s office within 10 days. Any residents with questions about the form or who did not receive a census, should please call the Town Clerk’s office at 413-283-2608.

Dog licenses for 2020 are now available at the Town Clerk’s office. While there, residents should Also, check their voter registration for the upcoming 2020 elections.

Norcross Wildlife Sanctuary 2020 winter lecture series

- WALES – Winter lectures at the Norcross Wildlife Sanctuary are offered on Saturdays at 1:30pm. Please RSVP by calling 413-267-9654. The lectures are free; however, attendees are asked that to bring a canned good or non-perishable food item to support the local food pantry. In case of inclement weather please call ahead, check our Facebook page or visit www.norcrosswildlife.org.
- Saturday Feb. 8: Minerals, rock and archaeology**
Alan Smith, a project archaeologist and environmental specialist, will discuss his experiences involving several minerals and rock types that have influenced the anthropological and archaeological record. Follow the story of the formation of supercontinents and Massachusetts a billion years ago, the creation of its minerals and bedrock millions of years ago, the glaciation of this land thousands of years ago, ending with the establishment of flora and fauna and the peopling of this landscape where you live. See some exotic minerals caused by orogenic events that were used in the peopling of the land and were discovered by archaeologists.
- Saturday, Feb. 15 Sanctuary closed for Presidents’ Day**
- Saturday, Feb. 22 The New Jersey pine barrens at a glance**
The pine barrens of New Jersey have long been known for its botanical richness and unique character. With over one million acres of protected lands, this “wilderness” sits within 25 miles of Philadelphia and 30 miles of New York City. Uli Lorimer, director of horticulture for Native Plant Trust, will touch upon some of the conservation work being done within the pines, some of the field work conducted on behalf of the Torrey Botanical Society and a showcase of the wonderful flora that can be found there.
- Saturday, Feb. 29 Understanding the fascinating life cycle of native plants**
Heather McCargo, founder and executive director of Wild Seed Project, will show you the fascinating reproductive life cycle of different types of New England native plants. She will explain how we can change our landscape practices to support wild plant reproduction, pollinators, and other wildlife. Come and learn about outdoor seed sowing
- Saturday, March 7 Design-less gardening: a naturalistic approach**
Disregard traditional design rules and adopt a new approach to garden design. Look to nature for inspiration. What clues can be take from the landscape to help a site to thrive? Learn to evaluate sunlight, moisture, soil and other factors to encourage a successful garden that does not require many inputs in the way of watering, fertilizing and extra coddling. Dan Jaffe, Norcross horticulturist and propagator, will show attendees how to create a low maintenance garden that actively supports the environment and provides beauty for all– people and pollinators alike.
- Saturday, March 14 You, me and climate change**
Climate Change: It’s what’s for dinner.. Not just tonight but every night for the foreseeable future. Since we know what’s being served up we may as well come up with a creative menu to deal with or mitigate the changes to come. Excess CO2 is not the problem; it’s a symptom as are the extreme weather patterns. Fossil fuel is only a fraction of the excess carbon in the atmosphere. Trevor Smith, lead designer at Land Escapes Design, will go past the scary numbers and the heartbreaking photographs of emaciated polar bears floating alone on a piece of ice and break out individuals can do. He makes it clear that the power to slow or stop climate change doesn’t rest solely in the hands of government and will leave everyone inspired and empowered to take action.
- Saturday, March 21 Bare trees and naked shrubs**
No leaves? No problem! Boot Boutwell, a freelance itinerant naturalist and educator, will show attendees how to use a combination of branching patterns, bud and bark characteristics, habitat, persistent fruits, galls and marcescent leaves to help identify woody plants in winter. Attendees will use both bud and twig samples to study the subjects. While this is an indoor presentation, there will be the option to go for a walk afterward.

Monson voter registration for Presidential Primary

MONSON – Voter registration for the Presidential Primary Election will be held on Wednesday Feb. 12, from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., at the Monson Town Clerk’s Office located at the Town Office Building 110 Main Street. This is the last day to register to vote or change party enrollment prior to the Presidential Primary election, which will be held on Tuesday March 3, at Memorial Hall located at 198 Main St.

Residents may also register to vote by mail-in registration, in person Mondays through Fridays from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Town Clerk’s office or online at: <https://www.sec.state.ma.us/OVR>.

Applications must be postmarked no later than Feb. 12.

Absentee ballots are now available in the Town Clerk’s office. The deadline to apply for an absentee ballot application is 12 p.m. on March 2.

Early voting will take place in the Town Clerk’s office prior to the Presidential Primary election from Feb.24-28 during the hours of 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. There are no weekend hours for early voting prior to this election.

For questions, please contact the Monson Town Clerk’s office at 413-267-4115, online at www.monson-ma.gov, or email town-clerk@monson-ma.gov.

Where is it!



Hint: It’s in Palmer and a lot of fun can be had here with a club.

Each week on Page 2 and on www.facebook.com/The-JournalRegister, *The Journal Register* will feature a photo of a local building, item, sign, place or landmark and ask readers to pick their brains to figure out where it is or even what it is. Check here each week to test your knowledge of the area where we live and work. The photo might be from any of the towns in the Journal’s coverage area – Palmer, Monson, Holland, Brimfield and Wales – but we’ll always tell you the town. And maybe we’ll throw in a hint, too.

Last week’s photo: Last week’s was Flagg’s Bark & Mulch Materials on Route 20 in Monson.



The answer to this week’s “Where is it?” will run in next week’s edition, along with a new trivia photo for you to consider.

DEADLINE

The Journal Register has changed its firm deadline for public submissions to Mondays. To get your submission in for that week’s edition, email Editor at bcoulter@turley.com or call the office at 413-283-8393 by noon on Mondays. We appreciate the cooperation of our readers.

Monson Democrats to elect State Convention delegates

MONSON – Registered Democrats in Monson will hold a caucus on Thursday, Feb. 27, at 7 p.m., at the Monson Polish Club, 7 Bliss Road to elect delegates and alternates to the 2020 Massachusetts Democratic State Convention.

This year’s convention will be held on Saturday, May 30, at the Tsongas Center in Lowell, where thousands of Democrats from across the state will come together to discuss party business and prepare for upcoming elections.

The caucus is open to all registered and pre-registered Monson Democrats. Pre-registered Democrats who are 16 by Feb. 15, are allowed to participate and to run as delegate or alternate. Monson can elect three delegates and three alternates to the convention.

Youth, minorities, people with disabilities and LGBTQ individuals who are not elected as delegate or alternate may apply to be an add-on delegate at the caucus or at www.mass-dems.org.

Those interested in getting involved with the Monson Democratic Town Committee should call Karen Nothe-Valley, chair, at 413-846-3041.

Corrections

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proached to take a look at the building back in 2015, he thought it would be a great idea to refurbish it.

“At the time when we had first analyzed it, it was thought that we could certainly salvage it, and as more explorations came after occupying the building, it became a pretty strong project,” said Havel es. “There was a lot of extra time, and a lot of extra money [in regards to fixing it], but in the end, when you looked at the finished product, I think it’s rewarding, especially to the downtown area of Three Rivers. It shows what can happen [in the area of Three Rivers] and how it can be transformed with the right attention.”

Anyone who would like to learn more about SMOC, or rent either the residential or commercial space in the new refurbished building, located on 2032 Main St., Palmer, call 508-620-2365, or email rental@smoc.org.

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Exceptions will be made only when the family provides a death certificate and must be pre-paid.

Brimfield Senior Center February events

BRIMFIELD – The Brimfield Senior Center, at the 1st Congregational Church, at 20 Main St., has a number of February events coming up.

On Tuesdays there is a new “Trivia Tuesday” at 11:30 a.m. Join other seniors for lunch and Tuesday Trivia! Come on in for lunch and test your trivia knowledge. Grand prize is a \$5 scratch ticket. Bring a sharp brain and head on down for food, fun, and a chance at both fame and fortune. The meals have been greatly improved so it’s a great opportunity to give it a try for those who haven’t been to the center recently. There is a \$2 suggested donation for lunch. Please call before 11 a.m. on Mondays to reserve a lunch. The center can be reached at 413-245-7253.

On Thursday, Feb. 20, at 11:30 a.m., Lunch & Learn with Eva Pittsinger, Senior Center Director and Outreach Specialist. Ever wonder what seniors or a family member might be eligible for? She will go over guidelines and procedures for programs and services. Lunch is available for a suggested donation of \$2, but reservations must be made before Monday, Feb. 19, at 11 a.m. The menu will be roast pork, seasoned cauliflower, yellow rice, whole wheat roll and fresh fruit.

On Friday, Feb. 21, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., the Italian Fest is back. Join the center for a fabulous spread starting with an appetizer of balsamic bruschetta with tomato and garlic. The main course will be a combination plate of spinach and cheese stuffed shells with meatballs, pasta, Italian bread, salad and birthday cake. February birthdays will be celebrated. Please reserve a seat prior to Tuesday, Feb. 18. There is a \$5 suggested donation for this party. The center can be reached at 413-245-7253.

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care as the horses go to new homes, and all the horses do have new homes, Shea said.

“I’ve always loved horses and having them right down my street was like a dream come true,” she said. “It just wasn’t a typical barn; I realized they were saving lives with this farm.”

Many of the horses had no where else to go once their working days were over. “I was so touched by their stories,” she said.

Shea even had a reunion with a working carriage horse from Manhattan, who had a vacation at Blue Star one summer, a benefit that was written into their working contracts. “I went to the city and got a tour of the barns, and I said, ‘oh my gosh, there’s Whiskey,’” she said. “It was just great to see him again.”

Blue Star still has a lot of bills as it is wound down at its West Brookfield location, so the note cards seemed like a quick answer, she said. After Blue Star closes they will use the proceeds for homeless horse nonprofits, she said.

The set of 10 blank note cards, priced at \$25, includes five different signed images and essays from throughout the rescue’s history.

Checks should be made out to Susan Tilton Pecora and sent her at P.O. Box 195, Thorndike, MA, 01079. Note cards can also pay via PayPal at sess7@comcast.net. Please note on checks or on PayPal payment how many sets of cards are being ordered.

All donations are tax-deductible and will be presented to Blue Star, then acknowledged.

Please note on checks or on PayPal payment how many sets of cards you’d like.

New technology helps cardiac patients

Monson woman first to have device at Baystate

SPRINGFIELD – A transformative new technology, the CardioMEMS system, now available at Baystate Medical Center, is reducing hospitalizations and improving quality of life.

Patients living with heart failure, also known as congestive heart failure or CHF, are constantly trying to guess how their heart is doing based on how they feel. Common symptoms like shortness of breath or fatigue could be a sign of a serious heart failure exacerbation, or something as simple as a common cold. The CardioMEMS system takes the guesswork out of managing heart failure.

“The CardioMEMS device is truly a game changer and is now offered to patients in consultation with our Advanced Heart Disease Program at Baystate Medical Center,” said cardiologist Dr. Leor Jaffe, of the Heart and Vascular Program at Baystate.

The Baystate Heart and Vascular Program offers a collaborative team approach to patients who may benefit from CardioMEMS implantation led by advanced heart disease specialist Jaffe and interventional cardiologist Dr. Gregory Giugliano. The team works together to identify appropriate patients, implant the

device and then tailor medical therapy to optimize heart failure.

“One of the biggest challenges in treating heart failure is identifying patients who are retaining excess fluid and treating them before they end up in the hospital. Prior to CardioMEMS we mostly relied on patients letting us know when they were feeling worse, often too late. Now, we can treat fluid buildup even before it becomes symptomatic,” said Jaffe.

The CardioMEMS system uses a penny-sized wireless sensor that is implanted into one of the arteries in the lung during a 30-minute, minimally invasive procedure. The sensor measures pressure in the heart and the patient leaves the hospital with a home unit, which transmits readings from the sensor directly to the heart failure clinic.

“It’s like putting in an early warning system that alerts doctors if things are headed in the wrong direction. We can then make the appropriate medication changes to correct the problem,” said Giugliano, director of the cardiac catheterization laboratory at Baystate Medical Center.

According to research presented at the American College of Cardiology’s 68th annual Scientific Session last March, in the year following placement of a CardioMEMS heart failure sensor,

patients experienced a nearly 60 percent reduction in hospitalization for heart failure.

One of those patients benefiting from reduced hospitalizations is Janice Rice, of Monson, who was the first patient to have the device implanted at Baystate.

A native of Connecticut, who moved to Tennessee for 13 years before returning to New England, Rice has a long history of heart disease beginning with atrial fibrillation, a type of irregular heartbeat that increases stroke risk. For this reason, patients with atrial fibrillation are often prescribed a blood thinner. However, Rice developed bleeding issues with this medication. Cardiologists at Baystate recommended the WATCHMAN device to Rice, another state-of-the-art minimally invasive procedure that can reduce the risk of clot formation in the heart and lowers the risk of stroke. Baystate Medical Center is the only hospital in western Massachusetts which currently offers the WATCHMAN device.

“I’ve been in and out of the hospital, both Baystate Wing Hospital and Baystate Medical Center, with complications of heart failure since returning to the area,” Rice said.

It was while in Baystate for the WATCHMAN procedure that Rice and her nearly monthly hospitalizations for

heart failure came to the attention of Jaffe, who recommended CardioMEMS.

“He reviewed my records and told me I would be a good candidate for CardioMEMS and asked if I was willing to undergo the procedure. I told him, ‘You betcha! At this point I am willing to try anything to stay out of the hospital,’” Rice said.

“I have lost 60 pounds and no longer have any shortness of breath. CardioMEMS has been a miracle for me. Dr. Jaffe saved my life,” she added.

Baystate Medical Center has the only comprehensive Heart Failure Management Program in Western Massachusetts involving assessment by a cardiologist who specializes in heart failure with treatment based on national guidelines and the latest research. The program offers heart failure specific support and access to care, individualized nutrition counseling, education for patients and caregivers, supervised exercise programs, collaboration with visiting nurses and home care teams, and participation in current research trials.

To learn more about Baystate Medical Center’s life-saving cardiac capabilities, visit baystatehealth.org/heart, or to make an appointment with a Baystate cardiologist, call 413-794-2273.

Second Chance Celebrates National Pet Dental Health Month



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Second Chance community veterinary hospitals are offering a 10 percent discount on dental cleanings during National Pet Dental Health Month. Second Chance operates full-service veterinary hospitals in North Brookfield, Springfield and Worcester.

NORTH BROOKFIELD – February is National Pet Dental Health Month and Second Chance Animal Services is reminding pet owners to check their pet’s teeth. Like in humans, dental health plays an important role in the overall health of pets. Dental issues can greatly affect a pet’s quality of life.

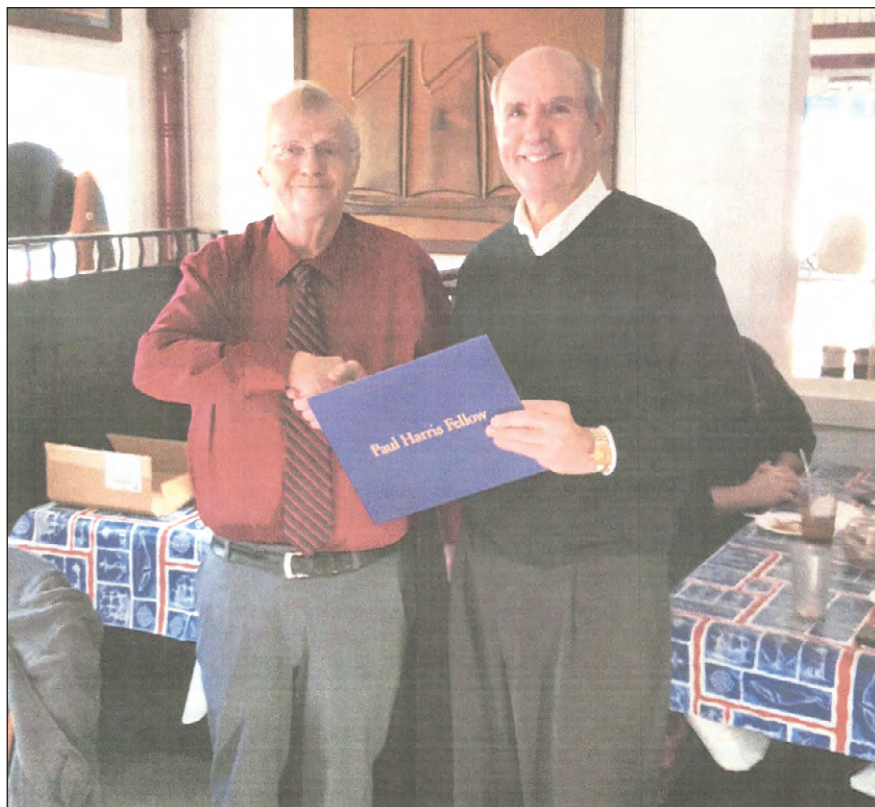
Second Chance Medical Director Dr. Amy Alwood encourages pet owners to be aware of any changes to their pet’s dental health. “Bad breath is one of the more obvious symptoms, but excessive drooling, discolored teeth, changes in appetite or even dropping food when eating can be cause for concern.” Alwood recommends taking a pet to see the veterinarian whenever owners notice these or any changes in a pet’s behavior.

Brushing is an important part of maintaining good dental health and veterinarians recommend starting early so pets are accustomed to getting their teeth brushed. Dental treats can also combat tartar, but Alwood cautions pet owners to follow the suggested serving size. “Too much of a good thing can be bad when it comes to any treats.”

During the month of February, all Second Chance Community Veterinary Hospitals are offering a 10 percent discount on dental cleanings. Interested pet owners should call one of the nonprofit hospitals for more information on scheduling a dental consult. Second Chance operates full-service veterinary hospitals in North Brookfield, Springfield and Worcester.

Second Chance is a nonprofit organization that began in 1999 in East Brookfield and relies solely on donations from grants to operate. The organization operates an adoption center in East Brookfield, community veterinary hospitals in North Brookfield, Springfield, and Worcester. Second Chance helps over 40,000 pets a year through adoption, spay/neuter, veterinary care, community outreach, educational outreach programs, training and a pet food pantry. For more information, visit Second Chance’s website at www.secondchanceanimals.org.

Steve Chiacchia receives Paul Harris Award



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PALMER – Steve Chiacchia, right, is the recent recipient of the prestigious Paul Harris Award, which was presented to him by Palmer Rotary Club President Dave Clark. A longtime member and three-time past president, Chiacchia has remained an integral part of the club’s activities. He truly exemplifies the club’s motto, “service above self.”



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Viewpoints

SOCIAL SECURITY MATTERS

How do I make sure I “file properly?”

By Russell Gloor
Guest columnist

Dear Rusty: I am currently 63-years-old and planning to delay retirement until 70 to maximize my benefit. I’ve been seeing a lot of advertising claims by financial advisors who say you can lose thousands of dollars in benefits if you don’t “file properly.” Is there really anything more to it than simply applying for benefits when you are ready to retire? Do I really need to pay a financial advisor just to tell me how to apply to get the most benefits? Signed: Skeptical

Dear Skeptical: Nearly all the advertisements you see using language like that have an underlying purpose of trying to sell you something – usually a book, a subscription or financial services. The phrase “losing thousands if you don’t file properly” are very generic words meant to lure you into contacting them so they can sell something to you. The reality is that “filing properly” means simply choosing the right age to file for benefits given your specific personal circumstances. And personal circumstances are different for everyone. There aren’t any tricks in the filing process itself – it’s really quite straightforward, and you can get all your Social Security filing questions answered here at The AMAC Foundation’s Social Security Advisory Service. Our staff of Social Security Advisors are fully trained and certified by the National Social Security Association, and we have years of experience on this complex topic. We provide Social Security information and answers to several thousand people each year, without a fee because we are a not-for-profit entity operating only on donations. And contacting us is easy at either ssadvisor@amac-foundation.org, or 1.888.750.2622.

As for when you should file, everyone’s personal situation is different, and your marital status should always be considered. But as an individual, waiting until age 70 will give you the maximum benefit available to you. If you are now 63, your age 70 benefit will be 29.3 percent more than it would be at your full retirement age of 66 years and four months, and about 65 percent more than you’d get at age 64. And provided you are in good health and expect at least average longevity (about 84), not only will your monthly payment be more, but you’ll collect more in cumulative lifetime benefits by waiting. And here’s an extra bonus – if you are married and you predecease your wife, her survivor benefit will be based upon that larger amount you were receiving because you delayed claiming. If she has reached her full retirement age, as your widow your wife will get 100 percent of your actual benefit. But if you were to claim earlier, your wife’s survivor benefit would be based on that smaller amount.

The answer to your specific question is that there is no magical way to apply for benefits once you determine the age at which you wish to file. You can file by calling the Social Security Administration directly, either at their general number, which is 1.800.772.1213, or your local office, which can be found at www.ssa.gov/locator, or you can also file online at www.ssa.gov/retire. Filing online is by far the easiest and most efficient way to complete and submit your application for benefits.

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The Heart

A person finds love when they least expect it
Your lives seem to be a perfect fit
If two people are in sync
Their hearts can surely feel it in a blink
A hug that feels each other’s soul usually seals the deal
The hearts beat together and two souls know how they feel
Very few people get this total connection
When you do it is like pure perfection
Love tends to have ups and downs
But if indeed it is true love you can find common ground
Sort out your problems with a song and a dance
Give your love a chance for true romance
After all true love usually comes around once in a lifetime
If you keep your heart and mind open you may even see a sign
A very Happy Valentine’s Day to all the couples who have found their true love!

Beverly J. Lemon
Monson



Remembering four heroic military chaplains

During World War II, just 100 miles from an American base in Greenland, at 12:55 a.m. on the frigid night of Feb. 3, 1943, an unexpected explosion, far below the water line, shattered the starboard side of the Dorchester, a United States Army transport vessel. While reeling from a torpedo hit, only six steam-blast foghorn warnings could be sounded to over 900 servicemen, merchant seamen, and civilian workers on board as well as the three escort ships nearby.

On Feb. 2, 1943, three Coast Guard cutters, the Comanche, Escanaba, and the Tampa, were escorting the Dorchester, a SG-19, a 5,649-ton vessel, from Newfoundland to Greenland through the icy waters of the North Atlantic. Earlier that day, the Tampa CGC, with sonar, had detected a submarine.

Hans J. Danielsen, the ship’s captain, knew that German U-boats had attacked other ships and ordered the men to sleep in their clothing and keep life jackets on. But, because of the engine’s heat and the rough-fitting life jackets, many soldiers disregarded the order.

“Abandon ship!” ordered Capt. Danielsen. Power outage. Radio contact gone. Within 20 minutes icy waters would swallow the ship.

The German U-233 blast killed scores of men, and seriously wounded countless more. Others groped in the dark traumatized. When men got topside, blasts of ice-cold Arctic air brought shivering reality. Lifeboats became overcrowded. Some capsized, and some survived.

However, the Coast Guard Cutter Comanche saw the explosion’s flash; it “responded and then rescued 97 survivors. The CGC Escanaba circled the Dorchester, rescuing an additional 132 survivors.” (Four Chaplains Memorial Foundation.)

“Throughout the chaos four Army chaplains brought hope in despair and

light in darkness,” survivors said. While spreading out among the soldiers, they tried to “calm the frightened, tend the wounded and guide the disoriented toward safety.”

Those chaplains were: Lt. George L. Fox, a Methodist; Lt. Alexander D. Goode, a Jew; Lt. Clark V. Poling, a Dutch Reformed, and Lt. John P. Washington, a Roman Catholic.

The son of Reverend Fox, Wyatt R. Fox says, “Witnesses of that terrible night remember hearing the four men offer prayers for the dying and encouragement for those who would live.”

Survivor Private William B. Bednar, while floating in debris, “could hear men crying, praying...And could also hear the chaplains preaching courage.

Their voices were the only thing that kept me going.” Another sailor, Petty Officer John J. Mahoney, tried to get his gloves. Rabbi Goode stopped him saying, “Never mind...I have two pairs,” and then he gave Mahoney his gloves (www.fourchaplains.org).

As life jackets were being distributed, engineer Grady Clark saw a courageous and compassionate sight. When no life jackets were left, the four chaplains took off theirs and gave them to others. One of the survivors, John Ladd, who witnessed the chaplains’ sacrificial acts, said, “It was the finest thing I have seen or hope to see this side of heaven.”

Only months before their fateful trip, the four chaplains had reunited at Camp Myles Standish in Taunton.

Reportedly as the ship slipped beneath the sea, survivors from the safety of nearby rafts “saw the four chaplains with arms linked and braced against the slanting deck. Their voices could be heard offering prayers.”

Sacrificial brotherhood, courage, commitment and compassion in action; as we remember the heroic examples of those four chaplains, may we exemplify their actions.

Leadership matters

By Lee H. Hamilton
Guest columnist

At the time of the American Revolution, the future United States was a small, colonial backwater on the world stage. There were an estimated 2 to 3 million people living here. Yet it somehow produced an array of talented, creative thinkers and politicians — Washington, Jefferson, Adams, Madison, Hamilton, Franklin, and others — who forged this republic we still inhabit.

It’s not just that they began the effort of crafting a new nation. They also designed it: the multiple sources of power, the delineation into federal, state, and local levels, and the idea that there ought to be a balance among legislative, executive and judicial equals. We’ve never really matched the convergence of political creativity and insight produced by that era.

To be sure, there are plenty of what-ifs and caveats. The leaders of that time failed to confront and find a way past the stain of slavery. Their blind spot when it came to the treatment of Indians was just as troubling. And one of the great what-ifs of American history is what this country would have looked like had women been able to hold and exercise political power: What if Abigail Adams, Phyllis Wheatley, Mercy Otis Warren, and Elizabeth Willing Powell — the Philadelphia salon hostess who brought together and often advised the men whose names we all know — had been more than wise counsel?

Nonetheless, when I think of the history of political leadership in this country, I’m struck by how the founders still stand out after almost two-and-a-half centuries. So I’ve been going back to read up on them, and as I do, another thing strikes me: the qualities of leader-

ship I think I discern in their biographies have never really gone out of style. At least, I see reflections of them in my experience of memorable political leaders in our time.

For one thing, above all else great leaders of democracies seek to build a consensus. They’re inclusive. They don’t try to shut people out of the process. They’re good listeners, and not especially interested in coming into a room and trying to dominate it or impress everybody. They ask a lot of questions. They’re quick to grasp the consequences of problems that have been left undressed, and to try to think through the impact of what they’re proposing.

For the most part, they’re articulate: describing problems understandably and approachably is a key part of leadership, as is persuading others that you’re right. They usually think in terms of practical options: what’s the problem, what are the facts, what options do we have for dealing with the problem?

Most of them, though by no means all, know how to deal with people. And many of our greatest leaders have had a kind of energy that most of us can only admire — the sort of drive, perseverance, and wide-ranging breadth of effort that people like John Adams displayed. Politics is not a game for low-energy people.

Especially because leaders are responsible for the performance of the groups they lead. They set the agenda, they identify the problems and issues to be tackled, the priorities for action, and the style: Will it be an inclusive or exclusive effort? Will it be a pure exercise in wielding power or focused on building broad support by identifying the problems and the resources to deal with them,

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Advice, season by season

Last week we took a look at where to best site our gardens. In this week’s column let’s go season by season looking at the plants we can utilize to create outstanding displays.

Spring

Spring-flowering bulbs are at their peak from late March through May. In this part of the country bulbs are planted the fall prior to bloom. Simply dig a hole twice the depth of the bulb you are planting and insert it pointed side up, then back fill. Position the next bulb twice its width away.

Tulips and daffodils are the best, most long-lasting choices for a display garden. You can use different varieties of each within the same bed to extend overall bloom-time to six weeks or more. For example, try single early tulips, Darwin hybrid tulips and single late tulips together for staggered flowers before and after the “main event.” You can also experiment with mixed plantings for added interest and appeal. Pair ‘Gavota,’ a midseason triumph tulip with small-cupped narcissus ‘Barrett Browning’ for a show-stopping symphony. Or, try combining double-early tulips ‘magic carpet mix’ with blue grape hyacinth (Muscari armeniacum). Blooming in unison, they will create lots of garden drama, with the rich, royal blue color of the grape hyacinths literally popping out from the mass of yellow, red, white and pink tulips. Because grape hyacinths are shorter, and a different flower type than the tulips, two additional dimensions of interest are at play.

With blooming behind them, bulbs can be dug up and discarded, or moved to another, less conspicuous part of the yard. Simply remove spent flower stems and replant the rest, tops and all, to that location immediately so that the foliage can ripen and ensure next years flowers. Be forewarned: many tulip varieties are not dependable perennials. Blooms will peter out until the bulb has a chance to replenish itself. For this reason, many professionals don’t bother to use them for more than a single season.

Now that our display gardens are empty, it is time to concentrate on the second and longest season of the gardener’s calendar, summer.

Summer

Summer annuals arrive on the shelves of garden centers and nurseries in early May. While some varieties can withstand a light frost, most should be planted no earlier than Memorial Day in our locale. The options are endless! Choose from trusty old stand-bys, “unsurpassed” proven winners, and even unique heirloom selections.

As long as the plant can tolerate a variety of summer weather conditions (after all, this is New England!), is resistant to most diseases and insect pests, has manageable maintenance requirements, ad has a long season of interest, it can be worthy of placement in your display garden. Surprisingly, there are many such annuals that fit the bill.

Three tried and true annuals that come to mind are marigolds, salvias and zinnias. I can think of no better, brighter or more welcoming palette choice than a combination of yellow, orange and red varieties of these plants positioned at your property’s sun-filled entrance. If you have a part-shade situation, use vivid-toned impatiens, begonias, or coleus instead, for an equally appealing show.

Get maximum enjoyment out of small gardens or container plantings by utilizing any number of proven winners on the market. Bred for unsurpassed growth, flowering and disease resistance, these summer annuals need little maintenance other than watering and periodic applications of fertilizer. In the ever popular purple-blue category try ‘angelface blue’ angelonia, along with strobilanthes dyerianus ‘Persian shield,’ in the middle of a large container. Plant acaevola ‘blue shamrock’ to trail over the front. Veer away from the monochromatic scenario for a minute by placing centaurea gymnocarpa ‘flashy lady,’ a finely-cut silver-leaved foliage plant, as a backdrop and watch the planter and its surrounding landscape come to life!

Over the last several years heirloom plants have made their way out of the annals of history and into our home gardens. Few varieties have proven the test of time like these plants have. As you would expect, most have noteworthy physical characteristics and equally as fascinating lore associated with them. Take ‘Love Lies Bleeding,’ for example, from the genus amaranthus. This dramatic plant draws the attention of passersby with its height, nearly four-feet tall, but more so by its blood-red tassels of tiny flowers that drape from the top of the plant all the way down to the ground. Did you know that distant cousins of this annual were used to make Amaranth, a grain that was a staple in the diet of the Aztecs? What fun it could be to share enthralling stories like these at your next garden party!

Usually by mid-September our summer display gardens are tired, and frosty mornings are looming. It’s best we empty the beds and get ready for autumn and all of its glory. Plan for this upcoming season with “grand finale” or “last hurrah” in mind.

Fall

Just because the calendar says we are approaching the darkest days of the year, there is no reason to hibernate before we have to. Why not robe your gardens in colors vibrant enough to match the surrounding hillsides? There are a number of cold-hardy plants available during this season of the year to let you do just that.

Get to the garden center early for the best selection of mums, flowering kale and cabbage. Mums are available in every autumnal shade, plus lavender and violet, white and even bicolors. There is also an endless array of flower types to choose from: cushion, button, daisy and decorative, among others. Select plants in bud with very little color showing; these will give you the most bang for your buck. Combine them with flowering cabbage and frilly-leaved flowering kale for a garden that will only intensify in color as the mercury drops.

Some gardeners think ahead by including frost tolerant annuals in their summer plantings. Dusty miller, blue salvia, calendula, sweet alyssum and snapdragons can each withstand a dip below freezing. Rather than remove these plants from the bed come September, add mums and kale to it for a unique combination of flower forms and textures.

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The Journal Register welcomes readers to participate in this year’s election campaigns by writing letters to the editor for publication on these pages. Letters of up to 250 words from local residents endorsing candidates on the ballot or discussing campaign issues should be sent to The Journal Register, care of Turley Publications, 24 Water St., Palmer, MA 01069, faxed to 413-289-1977 or emailed to dfarmer@turley.com. Please include a daytime telephone number for verification purposes (it will not be printed). Letters must be received by noon Monday to be considered for that Thursday’s newspaper. No attack letters will be printed. No letters written by candidates supporting their own candidacy will be printed. If the volume of letters received is larger than the space available in the newspaper, or if the letters become repetitive, the newspaper reserves the right to print a representative sample. No endorsement letters will be printed in the last edition before the election.

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Looking Back

25 YEARS AGO

FROM THE PAGES OF THE JOURNAL REGISTER THIS WEEK IN 1995 ...

School Committee receives feedback on site surveys

By Lisa Hotbauer
BONDSDVILLE — It's report card-lime for the Bondsville Grammar School, or at least for the Bondsville School Site Committee. And unlike some of students, the group is receiving all A's.

In the three months, since the founding of the committee (and six months since the 103-year-old Main Street school burned to the ground, the group has established monthly meetings, sent out and received back surveys asking the community what to do with the site and rounded up volunteers to help create a grown-up playground of sorts — a town common.

All of this homework has kept the committee extremely busy. The committee received back 230 surveys from the 600 they sent out, a whopping 38.1 percent return that was way over the 5 to 10 percent expected.

Although other suggestions were made for the site, such town pool or a teen center, the most common suggestion was a town common.

Approximately 45 people volunteered services to the project through the surveys, and the responses keep coming.

"We are a small village and that may be a plus for us since it will be more of a community project. We may be able to get more volunteers," committee member Terry Skaza said.

Preparation for the big test, funding applications, will begin on Feb. 7, when the group will meet with the Selectmen's Executive Secretary, Beverly Lund to discuss the policies that the town must follow. The committee will then draft a report to the selectmen, who will help determine how much money is needed for the development of the site.

Director of Community Development Larry Smith said that in order to apply for funding, the committee must have a five-year open space plan and more demographic studies. He met with the committee a month ago about available funding from the federal and state governments, which the group may apply for if necessary.

"Everyone wants to do something," he said. "The question is, where's the money going to come from?"

A portion of the necessary funds will come from the insurance settlement on the site. After demolition costs, that amount is estimated to be between \$80,000 to \$115,000.

"We're not going to use all of that money to develop the land, Committee chairwoman Elaine Nikodem said. "We're going to develop a perpetual fund to take care of it;"

That money may be enough to complete the project or at least to start it.

Nikodem estimates that the project will take between one and three years to complete. She would like to have a ribbon-cutting ceremony in the spring or on July 4.

Nikodem is impressed with the amount of local support the project is receiving.

"A very nice job was done by *The Journal Register* to introduce people to what we are trying to do," she said. "(The community's) response has been considered very seriously. We are a committee, and we are there to serve the people. We may have our own opinions, but above all we are there to serve the community."

Bazaar granted permit at flea market

By Lucy Taylor
BRIMFIELD—Brimfield Selectmen Voted two to one to approve, with appropriate fees, registration and all other requirements of flea market standards, the dates of May 5 through 8 for a bazaar on property leased from Jim Hopkins to Jay Griffin of Stone Soul Inc.

Chairwoman Judy Sessler said "no" to the motion made by Chuck McGann, saying she objected to going outside of the duration of the flea market show as the bylaw reads.

A reading of the advice of Town Counsel Kopelman and Paige that merchants selling articles should acquire vendor permits; that the operator should pay the usual fee for a license and that the bazaar should be considered a flea market, started the discussion.

Selectman McGann suggest-



FROM THE PAGES OF THE PALMER JOURNAL THIS WEEK IN 1995: Left to right: Katie Cienciwa, Angela Korniot, Kate Manley, Heather Norman, Jena LeBlanc, Kayla Haveles. (Submitted photo by Shirley Christensen)



FROM THE PAGES OF THE PALMER JOURNAL THIS WEEK IN 1995: Lending a helping hand... News 40's Eileen Curran (left), accepts a \$1,061 check from Monson Volunteer Firefighter Gordon Doss (center) at Saturday's telethon benefitting the Make-A-Wish Foundation of Western Mass. Also presenting a check was George Finch, owner of Baystate Bottlers in Ludlow. (Photo by Angie Testori)



FROM THE PAGES OF THE JOURNAL REGISTER THIS WEEK IN 1970: The 14th Annual Mardi Gras sponsored by Sts. Peter and Paul Mothers Club will be held on Saturday in St. Stanislaus Hall, Three Rivers. A smorgasbord will be held from 6 to 8, dancing from 7 to 12. Working on decorations are, left to right, Helen Grzywna, Charlotte Kszepka, general chairman, and Theresa Szwed, decorations.

ed that they grant the license for the bazaar license in May for free. However, the vendor permits would be \$20 each.

But attorney George Tetreault objected to the definition of the bazaar as a flea market. Also, Jim Hopkins pointed out that he was leasing the property to Griffin for the bazaar.

McGann referred to the event as a cultural bazaar; Selectman Dennis Bergeron considered it a cultural bazaar under the requirements of a flea market.

"Other events do not adhere to flea market," said McGann. He spoke of the "spirit of the law" and "the letter of the law," adding that it was not his plan to stifle business.

Bergeron agreed with him, recognizing that there was a difference between a cultural bazaar and flea market.

Griffin said that his organization is moving slowly and is in the process of developing.

According to the Flea Market Bylaw, Article VIII, section 1 (2), Duration and Hours of Operation: The

legal period shall begin on the second Tuesday in May, the first Tuesday after Independence Day holiday in July and the first Tuesday after the Labor Day holiday in September, except when religious holidays dictate otherwise.

The date planned for the first cultural bazaar, May 5 to 8, is not within the parameters of the town bylaw.

Girl Scouts dive in

PALMER — Over 100 Palmer Girl Scouts of all ages, plus leaders and some parents attended the fourth annual swim and pizza party at Palmer High School on Friday night.

The girls had a wonderful swimming and then enjoyed pizza and orangeade in the cafeteria. The event ended with games while they waited for their rides home.

This annual event was planned and coordinated by Edna Trant, Palmer Unit Consultant. Thanks

were extended to Tom and Cheryl Jacobs for picking up the pizza, and to all leaders who helped serve and clean up.

Three Rivers resident named to Dean's List

PALMER — Kristen Marciniac attained Dean's List standing for academic excellence last semester. She is a member of the junior class at Springfield College and the daughter of Thomas and Cheryl Marciniac of North Street, Three Rivers.

50 YEARS AGO

FROM THE PAGES OF THE JOURNAL REGISTER THIS WEEK IN 1970 ...

The Industrial Park... and How To Get It

Dr. Ronald F. Stinnett met with the Palmer Board of Selectmen and the Overall Economic Development Committee on Jan., 21 In a joint meeting to outline the steps necessary for the development of an industrial park in the Town of Palmer and to report on the pre-application conference held in Portland, Me.

"There has been much misinformation disseminated since our pre-application conference in Portland, which needs to be clarified in order that the Board of Selectmen and the citizens of the community fully understand what is transpiring. The pre-application conference is exactly what the name implies a conference prior to :ai'ding in an application in which technical questions on all aspects of any project, whether it be Palmer's or somebody else's, are discussed for the PUrixise of making the application complete when it is banded in to the Portland office.

"A 'negative' attitude certainly was not the case when the area office expressed its feelings. They are very anxious that we get our application in as soon as possible. They were very helpful as they have been with other projects and wish to see us succeed. To better understand the



FROM THE PAGES OF THE PALMER JOURNAL THIS WEEK IN 1995: Palmer Police Officer Ray Tenczar discusses handouts with Palmer Grange Secretary Gladys Stockwell (left), of Palmer and Palmer Grange Lecturer Virginia Smith (right), of Palmer at the grange after a crime prevention meeting on Friday night. Approximately 30 area residents attended. (Photo by Barbara Slater)



FROM THE PAGES OF THE JOURNAL REGISTER THIS WEEK IN 1995: Kristen Marciniac



FROM THE PAGES OF THE JOURNAL REGISTER THIS WEEK IN 1970: Mary Ann Salamon

process in applying for funds, one must know the total program and how it works."

Dr. Stinnett then proceeded to outline the steps necessary for the community to apply for and to get federal and state assistance.

Dr. Stinnett has had extensive discussions in Boston with state officials concerning the best vehicle for taking advantage of both state and federal funds and has been told that the best vehicle is the establishing of a Redevelopment Authority. This vehicle is definitely needed in order to apply for state funds under the "blighted and open area" concept. Since this is the case, it is just as well that the same authority handle the whole project and be the applicant for funds to the Economic Development Administration.

The next steps in the development of the proposed industrial park project:

1. The establishment of Redevelopment Authority by the Town of Palmer through a Town Meeting.

2. The appointment of low members of the Authority by the Board of Selectmen and only by the Governor.

3. The organizational meeting where officers of the Authority are elected.

4. The passage of a resolution by the Redevelopment Authority to submit the application for funds for an industrial park to the Economic Development Authority of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

5. The transferring oi options on the land in the proposed park to the Redevelopment Authority,

6. The submission of the application.

7. If the application is approved and a grant offer is made to the Redevelopment Authority by EDA, a cooperation agreement is made between the Town of Palmer and the Redevelopment Authority which is really is only an arm of the Town -- at a future Town Meeting.

8. At this point, the Town citizens in a Town Meeting may appropriate funds equaling the cost of the land plus the fifty percent needed to match the EDA grant offer by voting a General Obligation bond, These funds would then be given

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123 Academy Drive, Longmeadow.

Erickson is a member of the American Arbitration Association, the American Ordnance Association, and the Air Force Association.

Teachers plan rebuttal shorter than school report rejected as 'too long'

"The shortest report I ever wrote" has been judged as too long and too wordy by the Palmer School Committee, in its latest bit of drama.

The statement about "the shortest report" comes from Dr. Leo Santucci, Supt. of Schools, who was dumbfounded when his annual report was rejected by the committee as being too long, too wordy and too costly to print in the annual town report.

"It's the shortest report I ever wrote," Dr. Santucci said. "In fact, it could be the shortest in the 77-year history of school reports to the town."

Since the rejection of Dr. Santucci's report—first in the history of Palmer—certain interesting developments have followed. Such as:

1 -- The School Committee, after rejecting the superintendent's report, assigned vice-chairman Mrs. Kathryn Flaherty to write a substitute special report. Her report was submitted to town treasurer Stanley Bigda on Tuesday and proved to be virtually the same length as the superintendent's report.

2 -- The Palmer Teachers Association announced that it would conduct an executive board meeting within a week to discuss the situation. The rumor there is that the PTA will seek approval of its membership to have Dr. Santucci's report printed as is and distributed to the townspeople prior to the annual town meeting.

It seems clear to neutral observers that the issue is not really the length of the school report. Rather, the issue would seem to be the content of that report. Certain parts apparently, are objectionable to some members of the committee.

The Journal Register asked Dr. Santucci if he considers the rejection of his report a personal insult.

"I didn't feel that way," he said. "But I do feel that this is another attempt by the chairman, Henry Trespas, and secretary, John Dyl, to harass the administration. Mr. Trespas by this action has answered his own question when he asked why Palmer is being investigated for its 'educational climate' since this is another decision that has interfered with normal operation of the Palmer school system."

Dr. Santucci said he see committee's reasoning of this report being too long as "merely an excuse."

"In my opinion," he said, "Mr. Dyl is using the excuse that the report is too long when he is in reality upset with certain paragraphs dealing with reflections and actions of the committee and himself."

Dr. Santucci, who has seen the report which replaces his, added that "a study of both reports would show there is very little difference in length between the report prepared by Mrs. Flaherty and accepted by only three board members—Mrs. Flaherty, Mr. Dyl and Mr. Trespas—and the original report written by me."

Further, two members of the School Committee, Joseph Malzenski and Stanley Kaczmariski, refused to sign the final school report, Stanley Karczmarczyk did not attend the meeting at which the report was rejected because he said he did not receive a three-day notice as required by School Committee rules.

"I am disturbed," he said, "at the School Committee continuing to meet at hours when all members cannot attend."

The Journal Register this week publishes, as a public service, the report as submitted by Dr. Santucci and the report as submitted by Mrs. Flaherty.

Erickson named General Manager at Zero-East

Zero-East Manufacturing of Burbank, Calif, has promoted Donald L. Erickson to general manager at its Zero-East Division, headquartered in Monson. He had been general manager of Zero's Honeycomb Structures Division in Burbank.

Prior to joining Zero in 1968, Erickson was general manager of the Ogden Division of the Marquardt Corp. and a divisional manager for Brooks & Perkins, Inc.

He is a graduate of Wayne University in Detroit, where he majored in mechanical engineering, and of LaSalle University, where he studied American Law and Procedures.

Erickson and his wife, the former Dolores Wicus, of Chicago, have two children: Lawrence, 11, and Richard, 9. They will reside at

Engaged

Mr. and Mrs. Walter F. Salamon of Thorndike announce the engagement of their daughter, Mary Ann, to Raymond J. Quinn, of East Hartford, Conn.

Miss Salamon is a graduate of Our Lady of the Elms College. She presently is teaching first grade at the Thorndike Street School in Palmer.

Quinn is a graduate of the University of Connecticut and is employed by the town of East Hartford in the Health Department. A July 4 wedding is planned.

A healthy heart begins with a primary care provider

WARE – February is National Heart Month, a perfect time to take charge of your heart health and a primary care provider is a great place to begin.

“Heart problems can happen at any age so you are never too young or too old to begin taking care of your heart,” said Dr. Mario Lysse, a primary care provider at Baystate Medical Practice - Quabbin Adult Medicine in Ware. “A healthy lifestyle at any age can help prevent heart disease and lower your risk for a heart attack or stroke.”

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, risk factors can increase your risk for heart disease. Some risk factors cannot be controlled, such as your age or family history, but you can take steps to lower your risk by changing the factors you can control like high blood pressure, high cholesterol and smoking.

“The good news is that it is possible to decrease your risk of heart disease by making changes in the way you live your life,” said Lysse. “Even if you have a family history of heart disease, the power of prevention is on your side.”

Research shows that when people regularly see their primary care providers their risk of dying of heart disease, strokes and cancer declines.

“Maintaining a healthy lifestyle is the first step to a healthy heart,” said Lysse. “Choosing healthier foods and exercising are two of the best ways to contribute to good heart health. Regular exercise is an important way to lower your risk of heart disease. Exercising for 30 minutes or more on most days can help you lose weight, improve your cholesterol, and even lower your blood pressure. Two 15-minute segments of exercise or three 10-minute segments still count as 30 minutes, said Lysse. “Just make sure the activity is vigorous enough to raise your heart rate.”

Primary care providers are familiar with patients’ medical history, including reactions to medications, personality and lifestyle and treatment preferences, said Lysse.

“We can help to determine your risk of cardiovascular disease through a routine exam and testing, and can recommend lifestyle changes, prescribe medications and refer you to a specialist if needed. If you need to lose weight, quit smoking, or reduce stress, we can suggest additional resources such as support groups, reading material, or if appropriate, medications or aids that can help.” he said.

A primary care provider may note after an exam that a patient should have



Dr. Mario Lysse

your heart checked a little more closely by a cardiologist. Or it could be that a patient’s personal or family history warrants an exam by a physician who focuses on the heart to keep you healthy.

“If you need to be referred to see a cardiologist, your primary care provider will remain a part of your care team,” said Dr. Brian Laliberte, chair of cardiology at Baystate Wing Hospital.

Keeping your heart healthy is truly a team effort and Dr. Brian Laliberte, Dr. Zachry Zichittella and nurse practitioners Grace LaValley and Gina Zichittella, provide comprehensive cardiology care at Baystate Wing Cardiology, located at Baystate Wing Hospital in Palmer.

For those that don’t have a primary care provider, the best time to choose a doctor is before one is needed. Over time, a person’s health care needs may change or a patient may face a new health challenge. The relationship a patient has with their healthcare provider, who knows them and their medical history best can lead to a better overall outcome that will protect their health.

“It’s no accident that we celebrate National Heart Month and the holiday that honors love, Valentine’s Day, during the same month,” said Lysse. “The best way you can show appreciation to the people you love is to make an appointment to see your primary care provider to start you on the path to a healthy heart.”

Lysse joins Dr. Kalyan Pundla and nurse practitioner Hilary Hayden-Moryl providing care at Baystate Medical Practice -Quabbin Adult Medicine, at 83 South Street in Ware. For more information or help in finding a primary care provider call 413-794-5412 or visit Bay-statehealth.org.

Baystate offers updates on mysterious coronavirus

SPRINGFIELD – The media has been full of reports regarding an outbreak caused by a new coronavirus first detected in Wuhan, Hubei Province, in China.

More than 250 people have died in China with more than 11,500 confirmed cases. The virus has been detected in Thailand, Japan, South Korea and the U.S. – with at least one positive case in Boston – prompting the World Health Organization to declare it a global emergency. The Trump administration issued an order Jan. 31 temporarily barring foreign nationals, other than immediate family of U.S. citizens and permanent residents, who have traveled to China in the last 14 days.

“It is still too early to know about the infectivity and virulence of this new coronavirus, as well as its transmission,” Dr. Sarah Haessler, Baystate Medical Center epidemiologist, said. “But preliminary indications are that the symptoms are less severe than patients who had SARS during that outbreak.”

There are several types of coronavirus, including Middle East respiratory syndrome, or MERS, and severe acute respiratory syndrome, or SARS. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention report coronaviruses are large family of viruses, some causing illness in people and others that circulate in animals like camels, cats and bats. Some may evolve and infect people, as has happened with MERS and SARS.

When person-to-person infection occurred with MERS and SARS, it is believed to have happened via respiratory droplets produced when an infected individual coughed or sneezed, in a similar fashion to the spread of the flu. Spread of SARS and MERS is believed to generally have occurred between close contacts.

At this time, experts do not know how easily or sustainably the new virus is spreading among people. What is known is that patients stricken with the virus in China had some link to a seafood and animal market in Wuhan, suggesting a possible animal-to-animal spread. Additional patients that weren’t exposed to animal markets suggest the virus is spreading person-to-person.

The new virus, 2019-nCoV, begins with flu-like symptoms, making it difficult to distinguish from the flu. According to the CDC, symptoms can begin in as little as two days and as long as two weeks after exposure. Symptoms include fever, cough and shortness of breath. Some patients have developed life-threatening pneumonia.

Out of an abundance of caution, Baystate has begun screening patients arriving for care at its emergency departments for a history of travel from China in the prior two weeks.

“We are following guidance from the CDC and the Massachusetts Department of Health to test and appropriately isolate patients if they were to seek care at one of our facilities,” Haessler said.

Haessler stressed folks should worry more about flu and its adverse effects to health, particularly the young and elderly, at this time. She suggests washing hands frequently with soap and water, using an alcohol-based hand sanitizer, and covering the mouth with the elbow when sneezing or coughing as preventive measures. She also suggests staying home if sick with flu symptoms.

For more information, visit bay-statehealth.org.

Creative writing and publishing workshop at Salem Cross Inn

WEST BROOKFIELD – The fifth annual creative writing and publishing workshop will be held on Sunday, March 15, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the Salem Cross Inn in West Brookfield.

Local award-winning author Ed Londergan provides a full day of information. “The workshop will cover the entire writing and publishing process from how to develop ideas, story structure, character development, creation of atmosphere/location, how to put together a chapter, creating authentic dialogue, the flow of the book and how to hold readers interest,” Londergan said. “With the great interest local writers have in getting published, I thought it’s best to spend more time on that aspect than I have in past workshops. Finding an agent, which is complicated and difficult, will also be addressed.”

“The purpose of the workshop is to help those people who want to write but don’t know where to start, or have had an idea for a story that’s been bubbling in their head for years and finally want to put it on paper. I also help people that have written something and need to know how to move ahead.”

The past workshops have been attended by a variety of people of all ages and occupations from 12-year-old students to 75-year-old retirees, all of whom have a story to tell.

“One of the things that past attendees have enjoyed and learned from is the writing exercises,” Londergan said, “They write about everything from their favorite holiday memory to their pets to what they had for breakfast.” He uses fun writing prompts for the exercises.

“Back-and-forth discussion is always a popular part of the day. Attendees learn from each other. Individual issues or problems anyone is having with their writing are discussed and the group helps them with suggestions and observations. At times, there have been a lot of “that happened to me and here’s what I did.”

The cost is \$95 and lunch is included. The workshop is limited to 20 participants and registration is required. The registration deadline is March 7. To register email ed.londergan@gmail.com or call 508-864-8685.

Quabbin Visitor Center Winter programs

BELCHERTOWN – The Quabbin Visitor Center will explore the many dimensions of Quabbin Reservoir and will have programs on related topics including: “Regional Consequences of Global Warming” on Feb. 9, “Discovering the Other Lost Valley” on Feb. 16, “Quabbin Enters the Digital Age” on Feb. 23, “Voyagers, Visitors and Home” on March 1, “The National Ecological Observatory Network: Open Data to Understand How Our Aquatic and Terrestrial Ecosystems Are Changing” on March 8, “Fabric, Factories and Fashion: A History of Textiles in the Quabbin Valley” on March 15, “Ticks and Tick-Born Diseases in MA and Across the U.S.” on

March 22, and “Walk the Milky Way” on March 29 (7:30 p.m. with Reservations required). Unless otherwise noted, the programs begin at 2 p.m.

The Quabbin Visitor Center is located in the DCR Quabbin Administration Building at the west end of Winsor Dam in Belchertown. Access to the Center is through the Main (West) Quabbin Park entrance on Route 9, three miles east of the Route 9/Route 202 intersection. Seating and attendance are limited and on a first come, first serve basis. For further information regarding the program, please contact the Center at 413-323-7221.

Share the love of art on Feb. 15

WARE – Come feel the love at ArtWorks in February, when several of the area’s favorite local artists share the love stories that inspired some of their works. Enjoy a rare glimpse behind the canvas, and find out how these artists turned their love stories into remarkable works of art.

Bring your sweetheart and join us for a special Valentine-themed artists’ reception on Saturday, Feb. 15, from 5 to 7 p.m. Light refreshments will be served.

The artists’ work will be on display as well as their stories from Jan. 31 through Feb. 27 at ArtWorks Gallery, 69 Main St. in Ware. ArtWorks is open on Fridays from 3 to 7 p.m., Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., and Sundays from noon to 4 p.m.. To learn more about ArtWorks, go online to workshop13.org/gallery, call 413-277-6069 or email artworks@workshop13.org.

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100 YEARS AGO

FROM THE PAGES OF THE JOURNAL REGISTER THIS WEEK IN 1920 ...

Hair Tonic is Latest Tipple - Replaces “Jakey” and is Safer Than Wood Alcohol

SEVERAL KINDS ARE ON THE MARKET
Street Railway Waiting Room a Depository For Empty Bottles of Various Sizes

Once upon a time when Cleopatra was stricken with thirstiness she is reputed to have exclaimed, “Give me to drink mandragora!” What is mandragora? The dictionary classifies it as a small genus of European and Asiatic solanaceous herbs, usually acaulescent. with campanulate flowers and baccate fruit.” Translated into plain United States, it’s the common mandrake. And it must have made “some” drink, even for those long ago days. But at that it was probably a mild tipple compared with that which has been adopted locally within the past week or ten days.

Hair tonic. Fact! The kind the barber puts on a man’s hair after he’s trimmed up his few stray locks and inquired whether the victim will or will not have a facial, shampoo, singe, or any of the other side lines of the establishment. Being refused at all points, the barber seizes a bottle off the shelf, squirts a few squirts of the contents on what hair remains, I and proceeds to rub it in. This is the stuff which is being used as a throat gargle of late, not only locally but in other places as well.

When Joe Connors, the janitor of the street railway waiting room, found an empty half pint bottle in the toilet one morning recently, he gave it hardly a passing thought. But a few mornings later he found a pint size: then a pint and a half pint together a few mornings later. Then he began to ‘sit up and take notice.” Investigating, he became convinced from the odor that it was hair tonic. Comparison with the stock of Joe’s barber convinced him that he had “guessed right the very first time.” It seemed hardly possible, but corroboration came a little later. A representative of a barbers’ supply house vouched safe the information that several brands of hair tonic which he carried had been found by some who craved a little something “for their stomach’s sake” to contain some ingredients which did very well in cases of emergency, extreme drought, etc. and that not all which was sold was being used in an effort to stimulate the growth of hair on bald heads.

And the accumulation of bottles is increasing. Not every day, but at intervals another is added to the collection. So far no attempt has been made to discover who gets so consumed with thirst that he must needs drain the last drop and discard the container here.

PALMER

John K. Moulton is visiting his daughter in Utica. N. Y. John J. Donahue has taken a position with the Worcester County Gas Company.

Edward A. Brouillette is confined to his home on Maple street with an attack of grippe.

The ladies of the Baptist church will serve a supper in the church next Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Connors have returned from Middletown, Conn., where they have been spending three months.

The Board of Selectmen have organized with William B. Kerigan chairman, and Frank C. Rogers as clerk.

Raymond Wilder of Brown University spent the weekend with his parent, Mr. and Mn. John Wilder of Pine street.

John E. Cahill and James Donohue represented the Merrill L. Simonds post of the American Legion at the convention in Boston Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Caryl have stored their goods and have moved from the Hellyar house on Squier street to rooms in the house of Mrs. G. A. Bill on Pleasant street.

A dance, the last before Lent, will be held in Holbrook Hall Feb. 17th by the “Dere Mabel” Club. Music will be by the Alabama Banjo Orchestra.

The Committee of 15 has finished its scrutiny of the articles in the town warrant but will not make their finding known until they report at the appropriation meeting next Monday evening.

Fred Thompson who has sold his house on Central street, has vacated and M. E Northrup, of the ‘Better Brushes. Inc. has moved in.

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and by forging common ground?

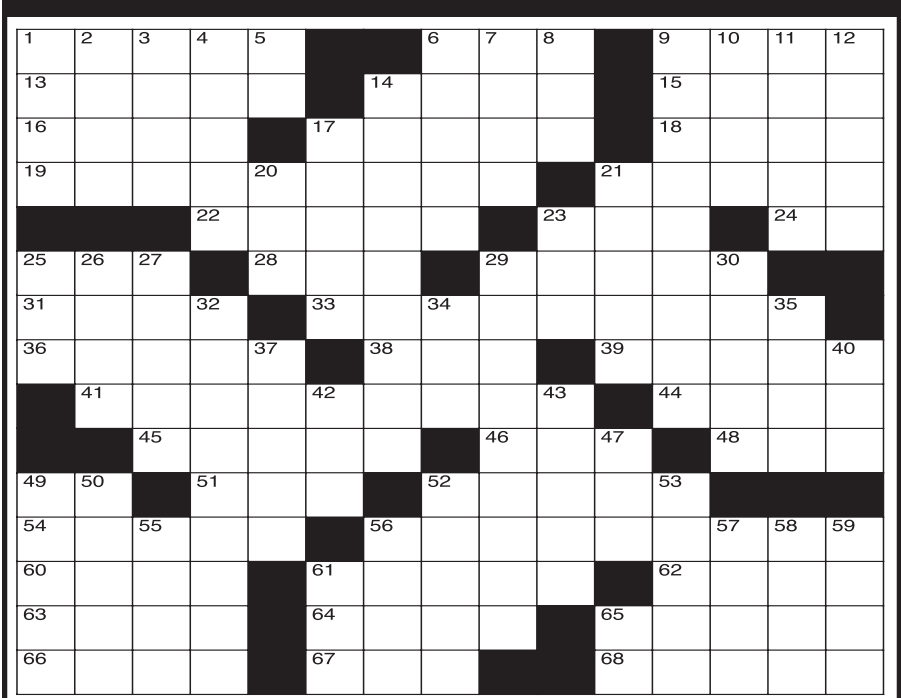
It’s both a paradox and a gift of our system that we have a form of government that encourages ordinary people to solve the problems of their communities, states and the nation as a whole, and yet effective leadership is vital. It mattered at our founding, and it’s mattered at every step of the way. Representative democracy is not a spectator sport: we all have to be involved. Yet to get anything done, to harness the collective energy and wisdom of ordinary Americans, we need leaders who possess at least some of the qualities and conscious public-spiritedness of our founders.

I don’t know if we’ll ever produce another generation of leaders like our founding generation. What I do know, however, is that every time we enter a voting booth, we have the opportunity to try.

Lee Hamilton is a senior advisor for the Indiana University Center on Representative Government; a Distinguished Scholar at the IU Hamilton Lugar School of Global and International Studies; and a Professor of Practice at the IU O’Neill School of Public and Environmental Affairs. He was a member of the U.S. House of Representatives for 34 years.

Friends of the Monson Public Library bake sale, Feb. 11

MONSON – The Friends of the Monson Free Library bake sale on Tuesday, Feb. 11, at 10:30 a.m. and will go until sold out. Members of the Friends will bake many goodies featuring scones, pies, cookies, cakes and special Valentine treats. Proceeds from the sale will benefit programs at the library including story hours, museum passes, and a multitude of activities. Everyone is invited to indulge their sweet tooth, and support the Friends.



CLUES ACROSS

- Indicates number of days
- When you hope to get there
- Hairstyle
- Black (Spanish)
- Expresses pleasure
- Away from wind
- Tech pros organization
- Wile E. Coyote is familiar with it
- Clean
- Saints' signal caller
- A way to hunt
- Poetries
- Automobile
- Secondary school (abbr.)
- Indicates before
- Male parent
- Short-billed rails
- It pays to keep yours
- On occasion

CLUES DOWN

- ___ Blyton, children's author
- Colleague
- "The African Queen" writer
- Crater on the moon
- Toward
- Overhang
- Identifies something close at hand
- Sign language
- Unbroken views
- Ancient Greek City
- Stretch out to grasp
- Alcohols that are unfit for drinking
- Humorous stories
- Long song for a solo
- Barrels per day (abbr.)
- City of Lights
- A place to sleep
- Advanced degree (abbr.)
- The back
- Furniture-makers

CLUES DOWN

- Charles and "Ray"
- Songs to a lover
- Gland secretion
- Disfigure
- Stores grain
- Sacred book of Judaism
- Catch
- Promise
- Challenges
- Russian space station
- Banking giant
- Served as an omen
- Drenches
- Type of sword
- Minor planet
- Messenger
- ribonucleic acid
- Japanese ankle sock
- Obtain in return for services
- Waste matter
- A proposal to buy at a specified price
- Unit of loudness

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Students named to University of Hartford dean’s list

WEST HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT – The University of Hartford is pleased to announce the following students have been named to the dean’s list for fall 2019 including Emily Kievra, of Holland, Cameron Kratovil, of Monson, and Nathan Murphy, of Palmer, all of Massachusetts.

Student named to Muhlenberg College dean’s list

ALLENTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA – Leia Resnick, of Monson, Massachusetts, was named to the dean’s list at Muhlenberg College for the fall 2019 semester.

Students named to Univ. of New Hampshire’s dean’s list

DURHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE – The following students have been named to the dean’s list at the University of New Hampshire for the fall 2019 semester including Katie Dold, earning honors and majoring in ocean engineering, and Noah Malo, earning honors and majoring in political science. Both students are residents of Monson, Massachusetts.

Local residents make Wentworth Institute of Technology dean’s list

BOSTON – The following local students have made the dean’s list at Wentworth Institute of Technology for the fall 2019 semester including Sylvia Palmer Costa, of Brimfield, and Emilee Marie Auclair, of Monson.

Worcester Polytechnic Institute announces dean’s list

WORCESTER – The following Monson residents were among 1,678 students from Worcester Polytechnic Institute named to the university’s dean’s List for academic excellence for the fall 2019 semester. Nicholas Kratovil is a member of the class of 2020, Elizabeth Roberts is a member of the class of 2022 and Erik Wegge is a member of the class of 2022. All three are majoring in mechanical engineering.

Nichols College students receive honors

DUDLEY – Many hard-working students at Nichols College in Dudley have achieved honors during the fall 2019 semester including Leundra Marsh, Tori Singer and Jonathan Janosz, of Palmer, and Kyla Johnson, of Holland.

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POSITION

Turley Publications is seeking an energetic person to fill the position of staff writer for two of its weekly publications: the *Ware River News*, which covers Ware, Hardwick and Warren, and the *Quaboag Current*, which covers the Brookfields, Sturbridge and New Braintree. This full-time position is based in our Ware office at 80 Main St. The successful candidate will have strong community journalism skills or the enthusiasm to develop them. The staff writer will cover municipal meetings, features and general news; essentially everything that unfolds in small towns. Assignments will be for both newspapers as well as other companywide publications.

Qualifications should include:

- Bachelor’s degree or equivalent experience
- Own camera and photography experience preferred
- Enthusiasm for community journalism
- Ability to write clean copy in a fast-paced environment

Please email resume and three writing samples directly to Eileen Kennedy Managing Editor at ekennedy@turley.com.



Students named to Fitchburg State University’s dean’s list

FITCHBURG – Fitchburg State University President Richard S. Lapidus has announced the students who qualified for inclusion on the dean’s list for the fall 2019 semester, including Alex C. Lima, Joshua I. Madison, Connor F. Manghan, Gabriell M. Marquez and Kelsey L. Martin, all of Monson; Roderick L. Squier, of Thorndike, and Austin L. Coffee-Moore and Zachary F. Robbins, both of Palmer.

Student named to Cedarville University’s dean’s honor list

CEDARVILLE, OHIO – Gabrielle Longe, of Monson, Massachusetts, was named to the Cedarville University dean’s honor list for the fall 2019 semester.

Students named to the University of New Haven’s dean’s list

WEST HAVEN, CONNECTICUT – The following students were named to the dean’s list at the University of New Haven for the fall of 2019: Jessica Bolte, of Brimfield, Massachusetts, Henry C. Lee College of Criminal Justice and Forensic Sciences, bachelor of science, criminal justice; Jessica Duggan, of Monson, Massachusetts, College of Arts and Sciences, bachelor of arts, psychology and Cameron Webber, of Palmer, Massachusetts, Henry C. Lee College of Criminal Justice and Forensic Sciences, bachelor of science, undeclared.

Fall 2019 dean’s list at Dean College

FRANKLIN – Dean College is pleased to announce the local students that have earned a place on the dean’s list for the fall 2019 semester including Madison Kowal, of Monson, Emma McCorkindale, of Palmer, and Alicia Nascembeni, of Wales.

Student named to president’s list

MANCHESTER, NEW HAMPSHIRE – Raymond Morehouse, of Holland, Massachusetts, has been named to the Southern New Hampshire University’s fall 2019 president’s list.

Palmer resident earns degree

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH – Kirsten Casavant of Palmer, Massachusetts, has earned a master’s degree in business administration, healthcare management, from Western Governors University.

Local students make dean’s list

KINGSTON, RHODE ISLAND – The University of Rhode Island is pleased to announce that more than 6,000 undergraduates have qualified for the fall 2019 dean’s list including Kaleigh Cavanaugh, of Monson, and Olivia Murray, of Palmer.

Endicott College announces dean’s list

BEVERLY – Endicott College is pleased to announce its fall 2019 dean’s list students, which includes Maggie Austin and David and Patricia Austin, of Brimfield, and Serena, Celso and Wendy Sandoval, and Matthew, Timothy and Suzanne Chagnon, all of Palmer.

Saint Michael’s College fall 2019 dean’s list

COLCHESTER, VERMONT – The following local student were named to the dean’s list at Saint Michael’s College for the fall 2019 semester: Anna B. Bilotti, a sophomore English and secondary education major from Monson, Massachusetts. She is a graduate of Monson High School.

Look for Changes in Retirement Plans

It might not have made the headlines, but a recently passed piece of legislation could affect the IRAs and 401(k)s of millions of Americans beginning in 2020. So, if you have either of these accounts, or if you run a business, you’ll want to learn more.

The new laws, collectively called the Setting Every Community Up for Retirement Enhancement (SECURE) Act, include these noteworthy changes:

- **Higher age for RMDs** – Under current law, you must start taking withdrawals – known as required minimum distributions, or RMDs – from your traditional IRA and 401(k) or similar employer-sponsored plan once you turn 70 ½. The new law pushes the date to start RMDs to 72, which means you can hold on to your retirement savings a bit longer.
- **No age limit for traditional IRA contributions** – Previously, you could only contribute to your traditional IRA until you were 70 ½, but under the SECURE Act, you can now fund your traditional IRA for as long as you have taxable earned income.
- **Limitation of “Stretch IRA” provisions** – Under the old rules, beneficiaries were able to stretch taxable RMDs from a retirement account over his or her lifetime. Under the SECURE Act while spouse beneficiaries can still take advantage of this “stretch” distribution, most non-spouse beneficiaries will have to take all the RMDs by the end of the tenth year after the account owner passes away. Consequently, non-spouse beneficiaries who inherit an IRA or other retirement plan could have tax implications due to the need to take larger distributions in a shorter timeframe.

- **No early withdrawal penalty for IRAs and 401(k)s when new child arrives.** Typically, you must pay a 10% penalty when you withdraw funds from your IRA or 401(k) before you reach 59 ½. But now, with the new rules, you can withdraw up to \$5,000 from your retirement plan without paying the early withdrawal penalty, as long as you take the money within one year of a child being born or an adoption becoming final.

Some provisions of the SECURE Act primarily affect business owners:

- **Multi-employer retirement plans** – Unrelated companies can now work together to offer employees a 401(k) plan with less administrative work, lower costs and fewer fiduciary responsibilities than individual employers now encounter when offering their own retirement plans.

- **Tax credit for automatic enrollment** – The new law provides a tax credit of \$500 for some smaller employers who set up automatic enrollment in their retirement plans. And a tax credit for establishing a retirement plan has been increased from \$500 to \$5,000.

- **Use of annuities in 401(k) plans** – It will now be easier for employers to consider including annuities as an investment option within 401(k) plans. Previously, many businesses avoided offering annuities in these plans due to liability concerns related to the annuity provider, but the new rules should help reduce these concerns.

The SECURE Act is the most significant change to our retirement savings system in over a decade. We encourage you to contact your financial advisor, tax professional and estate planning attorney to assess the potential impact on your investment strategies and determine any possible tax and estate planning implications of the SECURE Act.

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Stewart named to LeMoyne dean’s list

SYRACUSE, NEW YORK – Marie Stewart, a first-year biology student from Brimfield, Massachusetts, was named to Le Moyne College’s dean’s list for the fall 2019 semester.

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Top Floor Learning holds monthly game nights

PALMER – Top Floor Learning will hold monthly game nights on Feb. 11, March 10, April 14, May 12, June 9, July 14, Aug. 11, Sept. 8, Oct. 13, Nov. 17 and Dec. 8, from 6 to 7:45 p.m., at the Palmer Public Library. There is no fee and no registration is required. Participants must be 16 or older, unless accompanied by an adult. Board games and card games are provided or bring your own Scrabble, cribbage, Monopoly, Uno, chess, checkers, Yahtzee, bridge, Skipbo, Crazy 8s, Hearts, Dominos or other games.

Anyone with questions is encouraged to call 413-283-2329, or email palewis19@yahoo.com.

Elms College art exhibit features work Springfield couple

CHICOPEE – The Borgia Gallery at Elms College features the work of married Springfield painters Andrae and Priya Nadkari Green in a month-long exhibition.

Titled “Ambidextrous,” the exhibit is open for viewing now through March 2 during the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day, except college holidays and closures. The gallery is located on the second floor of the Dooley College Center on the campus, 291 Springfield St.

The exhibit celebrates the spirit of competition, collaboration and partnership. Each time the show travels, the work changes, and it is a chance to see their work in conversation with each other – observing similarities, differences and the effect of the two bodies in harmony.

“After working on their individual practices over the past decade or more, Andrae and Priya are now showing their work together for the first time,” Gallery Curator Cecily Hughes said. “The exhibition began at two locations in Springfield last year and continues to various

locations in the region, including Elms College.”

The artists have been married for the better part of the last decade and while they work separately in their respective styles, they find inspiration in similar experiences and concepts. The couple recently began working together through public art projects, teaching together, as well as challenging each other to “paint battles” where they both paint at the same time in their own styles.

East-West Passenger Rail Study public meeting, Feb. 12

SPRINGFIELD – The Massachusetts Department of Transportation is inviting the public to a meeting on the East-West Passenger Rail Study on Wednesday, Feb. 12, from 6 to 8 p.m., at the UMass Center at Springfield, in classroom 014 of Tower Square, 1500 Main St.

Please join MassDOT at the second public meeting on the East-West Passenger Rail Study. The study is examining the costs, benefits and investments necessary to implement a range of passenger rail service alternatives from Boston to Springfield and Pittsfield, up to and including high speed rail.

The goal of the meeting is to:

Inform attendees about the study’s analysis of six preliminary alternatives for improving connectivity and mobility in the East-West Corridor

Gather feedback from attendees about the six preliminary alternatives and what they would like to see in the three final rail service alternatives that will be analyzed further

The meeting will begin with a presentation at 6 p.m., following by time for questions and answers.

If attendees want to park in the Tower Square garage, parking will be validated at \$5 per

car. Meeting attendees can park on all levels, but are encouraged to park on Level A.

Please visit the website to learn more: www.mass.gov/east-west-passenger-rail-study.

For those who cannot attend the public meeting, all meeting materials will be posted online and feedback will be accepted via email.

For study questions or comments, please email MassDOT Project Manager Makaela Niles at Makaela.Niles@dot.state.ma.us.



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The junior girls team getting into the rhythm before it's time to play.



The junior boys team takes a break from practicing to take a group photo.



The freshman girls team take a group photo after finishing their game.



The senior boys team.



The freshman boys team.



The sophomore girls team.



The senior girls team.



The junior girls team get together for a photo seconds before their match.



The sophomore girls team in the midst of sending the ball back to senior girls team. Seniors rule night of mid-winter fun



Students of the senior boys and girls teams cheering on their schoolmates.



The junior and freshman boys teams in the middle of an intense match.



Physical education teacher Eric Degnan lays out the rules for the game.

Monson High School's Annual Winter Carnival's Volleyball Competition

MONSON – Last Monday, Monson High School students came together to get their sport on as part of the schools annual Winter Carnival volleyball competition. Physical education teacher Eric Degnan, who has coached at the event for over 27 years, enjoys it each year, and is happy to provide students a safe yet competitive night of fun, in the midst of their studies. After many rounds, it was announced that the senior girls and senior boys left the competition as the victors.

Women's Running Club offering annual clinic

SPRINGFIELD – The Pioneer Valley Women's Running Club announced its annual nine-week walk-to-run clinic will step off Monday, March 23 from 6 to 7 p.m. at Forest Park in Springfield.

Those interested in the clinic are invited to an information session at 6 p.m. Monday, March 9 in the Business Technology Center of Longmeadow High School, 95 Grassy Gutter Road in Longmeadow.

"The spring clinic is one way we help women learn about running and meet other people who want to be active," PVWRC President Nicole Collins said. "Many participants have never run before, but after nine weeks, most are ready to run their first 5K."

Collins said participants will progress from brisk walking to a combination of walking and running, and then running for 30 minutes. The clinic tends to be popular sporadic runners looking for consistent training partners, she added.

Clinic mentors and trainer Kristin Su will be on hand at the session to explain the program, answer questions and take registration.

Clinic cost is \$75 and includes a one-year membership to the PVWRC, a nonprofit organization affiliated with the Road Runners Club of America. The club supports women walkers and runners by serving as a race resource for information, training partners and topics of interest to members. Clinic proceeds support scholarships to high school seniors.

For more information or to register, email pvwrc1@gmail.com.

Mini-golf course coming to Haston Library on Feb. 21

NORTH BROOKFIELD – Those who like mini-golf should start practicing their swings now as the Haston Free Public Library will transform the North Main Street building into an 18-hole mini-golf course on Friday, Feb. 21.

Friends of the Library members and volunteers, including several young adult patrons, are designing and building the course, which will use ping pong balls rather than real golf balls. Six holes will be located on each of the library's floors, and will be designed to reflect the activities and library materials found there.

Some of the planned themes are jungle animals, Dr. Seuss, dinosaurs, space, feature films, the Hastons, sports and travel, just to name a few. Local businesses and organizations are invited to sponsor and or design holes as well.

The library is looking for ideas and supplies such as flexible dryer tubing, green indoor/outdoor carpeting, large appliance or furniture boxes, pool noodles, plastic or metal coffee cans, and those who can donate those items should contact Library Director Dawn Thistle at dthistle@cwmar.org.

The library would also like to borrow stuffed jungle animals and dinosaurs, a world globe, sports equipment and other items to be requested later.

The whole family is invited to play in this fun event. Green fees will be \$1 for children up to 12 and \$2 for adults. Prizes will be awarded to all players under 12 and for holes-in-one on selected holes.

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MIAA

Western, Central Mass. stand to lose its sectional tournaments

Editor's note: This is the second of a four-part series to break down the statewide tournament proposal, what it is, it's effect on the Western Mass. region, the challenges, and how your athletic directors and coaches feel about it.

By Gregory A. Scibelli
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REGION – With the impending vote on a statewide tournament sponsored by the Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association, one of the biggest things being talked about in our region are the long-term effects it will have.

Agawam High School Athletic Director David Stratton has repeatedly said during the past few months that “Western Mass. loves its tournament.”

Under the MIAA proposal, that would be the biggest impact on the region. There would no longer be a “Western Mass. Champion.”

The vote to pass the statewide tournament is likely to be successful, many athletic directors feel. This has led the Pioneer Valley Interscholastic Athletic Conference, which is the governing body of high school sports locally, to consider holding its own tournament prior to whenever the state tournament is held.

Stratton said the PVIAC is working on a proposal to hold some type of tournament. He did not say how it would be structured and how the competition would be separated. However, in order to have time for the tournament, it could cut into the regular season for certain sports. For example, the soccer season, now 18 games, could be lowered to 16 games to make time for a tournament.

One of the many reasons besides the love for the regional tournament, is because of the risk of so many Western Mass. teams having to travel long distances for the state

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GIRLS BASKETBALL

Mustangs cruise past Panthers



Jill Lombardi shoots a layup during first quarter play.



Alivia Skowyra fights for control.



Miyah Mega maintains control of the ball as Sydnie DeVries reaches for the ball.



Tennessee Murphy keeps her eyes on the net.



Marilyn Theriault and Gjamory'a McTier team up for the rebound.

MONSON – Last Friday night, the latest chapter in the Monson-Palmer rivalry commenced with the Mustangs girls basketball team prevailing 58-34 at Monson High School. Palmer was in the game ear-

ly, but defensive adjustments in the second quarter helped the Mustangs build a big lead. Monson would tack on a lot of points in the third quarter to put the game out of reach. Sydnie DeVries continued her great run

this season for the Mustangs with 17 points. Olivia Chrzan had 13 points and Kelsey Duggan had 13 points. Palmer was led by Maddie Theriault with 12 points.

REGION

MIAA holds diversity summit

FRAMINGHAM – The Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association (MIAA) and the Massachusetts School Administrators' Association (MSAA) held its third annual Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) Summit at Framingham State University on Jan. 13. With over 220 attendees representing 65 schools, the 2020 Summit featured eight concurrent workshops covering subjects including: impact of race on daily life, para-sports, inclusive strategies, Unified Champion schools, working to undo bias and end hate, creating safe and supportive schools, making authentic connections, and cultural competency and mental health disparities. Mike Rubin, MIAA Assistant Associate said, “Two goals that we established at the start of this inclusion mission were to promote diversity and encourage participation, interaction and understanding in our increasingly diverse society.”

Summit presenters included members of the MIAA/MSAA DEI Committee, which consists of school administrators, supporting agencies, and representatives from higher education institutions, as well as individuals from the MIAA Partners in Prevention, a powerful collaborative of public and private prevention agencies initiatives. The

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Logan Gerry rushes to the hoop.



Danny Fiester stops short of the perimeter.

Mustangs grab an OT win over rival Rams

By Tim Peterson
Sports Correspondent

GRANBY — The Mustangs have won nine of the 12 meetings in the rivalry series against the Rams.

After suffering a four-point loss to Granby in the first meeting of the 2019-20 regular season, Monson squeaked out a 74-71 overtime victory in the second meeting played at Sullivan Gymnasium, last Monday night, Jan 27.

“For as long as I’ve been coaching at Monson High School, all of our games with Granby have been very competitive,” coach Joe Trivisonno said. “Coach (Tim)

Sheehan is one of the best high school basketball coaches in this area. I give his team a lot of credit because they gave us another hard-fought battle tonight.”

Granby squeaked out a 46-42 win over the Mustangs played at Michael J. Kane Gymnasium on January 3.

The Mustangs played that game without senior Logan Gerry, who was sidelined with an injury. He scored 21 of his game-high 29 points after halftime in the second meeting between the two rivals.

“Having Logan on the court obviously makes a very big difference for us,” Trivisonno said. “He did it for us all in tonight’s game, especially during the third



Colby Duggan tries to deflect the ball away from his opponent.



Sam Malo makes a three-point attempt.

quarter.”

Monson won both of the games a year ago by a combined total of two points.

Jadon Messina, one of the Monson assistant coaches this year, scored the game winning basket giving the Mustangs a 55-54 road win in the first meeting a year ago. Then Danny Fiester, who’s currently a junior guard, scored the game winning hoop in the second game between the two squads, which was a 51-50 victory.

“All of our games with Granby have been very close during the past couple of years and it’s always a lot of fun playing against them,” Gerry said. “We’re very

similar teams and we have a lot of respect for them.”

The overtime victory improved Monson’s overall record to 9-5. They qualified for the Western Mass. Division 4 tournament with an 85-65 nonleague home win versus Hampshire Regional three days later. The Mustangs also had a 3-2 league mark.

The Rams (6-5, 2-3) still have a little bit of work to do in order to clinch a berth in the Western Mass. Division 4 tournament.

“We’re still trying to find ourselves,” Sheehan said. “I thought we made a few steps in the right direction in tonight’s game. We

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BASKETBALL

Panthers improve to perfect 8-0 at home

By Tim Peterson
Sports Correspondent

PALMER—The Palmer boys varsity basketball team has played a lot better in front of their home fans so far this winter than they have in opposing gymnasiums.

While the Panthers have only won one road game, they had a perfect 8-0 home record following a 62-52 win over Bi-County East rival Easthampton, last Wednesday night.

“I don’t believe we’ve lost a game in our own gym so far this season, which is very special,” said Palmer head coach Edward Anderson. “We always want to protect our home court.”

The Panthers (9-5, 3-2) entered this week’s action just one victory away from qualifying for the Western Mass. Division 3 tournament.

One of their road losses came against Easthampton by five points (81-76) on Jan. 2. The Eagles (2-13, 1-6) held a 49-37 halftime lead in that game before the Panthers outscored them, 39-32, during the second half.

“We wanted to set the record straight, especially after Easthampton beat us at their gym earlier in

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Auburn co-op bests Minnechaug hockey

By Tim Peterson
Sports Correspondent

WEST SPRINGFIELD — Three of the first five varsity hockey games won by the Auburn Rockets this season have been against opponents from Western Massachusetts.

The Rockets, who co-op with both Millbury High School and Tantasqua Regional, evened their season record at 5-5-1 with a 6-3 victory over the Minnechaug Falcons at the Olympia Ice Center in West Springfield, last Saturday afternoon, Jan. 26.

“This is a very good win for us and we really needed it,” said Auburn head coach Glen Bombard. “I really don’t know the reason why we’ve done so well against the Western Mass. teams this year. We just put the puck in the net in today’s game, which is something that we’ve been preaching to the players about all season long.”

The Rockets, who only have four returning varsity players, other two Western Mass. wins were at home against East Longmeadow, 3-1, in the season opener and at Westfield (3-2) on Jan. 11. They’re slated to face Longmeadow at home on Feb. 1.

The Falcons (6-5) entered the non-league match riding a four-game winning streak. Two of their losses came against Worcester and Northbridge, who

are also Central Mass. teams. “The two Central Mass. teams that we played in the Christmas Tournament are very good,” said Minnechaug head coach Kyle Bousquet. “I thought this was a winnable hockey game for us, but our effort just wasn’t there. We’re still in the playoff hunt. We just need to play consistent hockey for three periods to do it.”

The three Tantasqua players listed on the Auburn roster are sophomore Shawn Bradway, sophomore Matt Schirm, and senior Zach Schirm. This is the sixth year that Tantasqua has had a co-op with the Auburn hockey team.

“We’ve always gotten some very good hockey players from Tantasqua,” Bombard said. “They’re very hard workers and they have very good attitudes. I just love working with this group of players.”

Bradway, who’s a first-year member of the Rockets hockey team, normally plays on the first line. He contributed with a goal and was credited with a pair of assists against the Falcons.

“Shawn might not be very big, but he’s a bull out there on the ice,” Bombard said. “He blocks shots and does everything that we ask him to do.”

Bombard wasn’t very pleased with how his squad played at the start of the match.

“We came out flat and with no energy,” he said. “I knew we weren’t ready to play in the locker room before the start of the game. We did battle back late in the period, but we came out flat at the start of the second period. We played very well in the third period.”

The Falcons took a 1-0 lead at the 3:20 mark of the first period on a goal by freshman David Noel, which was assisted by junior Peter Wurzt.

Six minutes later, Bradway assisted on the tying goal, which was scored by senior Nick Spanos.

Auburn went ahead on the scoreboard for the first time on a goal by Zach Schirm, who plays on the third line, with two minutes left in the period. It was assisted by sophomore Joe Valone.

“Zach scored our second goal,” Bombard said. “When we shoot the puck, we’re a very tough team to beat.”

Zach’s younger brother, Matt, is one of the Rockets defencemen.

Minnechaug tied the score at 2-2 about 54 seconds into the second period when a slap shot by junior Dominic Terzi sailed into the net past senior goalie Tyler MacKoul (20 saves).

Just like they did in the opening period, Auburn responded with a pair of goals.

Junior Caleb Bartlett netted

the Rockets first goal of the period, which was assisted by junior Hakim Kagni.

Bradway assisted on a goal by senior Joel Miller with 6:41 left in the period increasing the Rockets lead to 4-2.

With 10:13 left in regulation, one of the Falcons players was sent to the box following a boarding penalty, which is a five minute major.

“We entered the third period trailing by two goals and we were trying to get back into the game,” Bousquet said. “Then we received a five minute major, which made it very difficult for us to comeback. It just didn’t go our way today.”

A power-play goal by Miller, which was assisted by freshman Nolan White gave the Rockets a 5-2 lead with 8:15 showing on the scoreboard clock.

Because it was a major penalty, the Rockets still had a 5-4 advantage following the goal.

Terzi did score a short-handed goal a little more than a minute later making the score 5-3. It was assisted by senior Stephen Mushenko.

Bradway made it a three goal lead again 15 seconds later by scoring another power-play goal.

Minnechaug junior goalie Corby Marini was credited with 20 saves.



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Athlete of the Week

Olivia Chrzan
Monson High School

In a big win for Monson girls basketball, Chrzan put in 13 points against rival Palmer.
To nominate someone for Athlete of the Week, contact Managing Sports Editor Gregory A. Scibelli at 413-283-8393 ext. 258 or send an e-mail to gscibelli@turley.com.

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T-Birds grab win on back of rookie goalie

SPRINGFIELD – The Springfield Ice-O-Topes (Thunderbirds) improved to 26-20-2 thanks to a 28-save shutout performance from rookie goaltender Ryan Bednard in a 2-0 victory over the Hartford Wolf Pack (26-11-4-5) on Saturday night before a sellout crowd of 6,793 on What If? Night at the MassMutual Center.

It took the Ice-O-Topes less than four minutes to get the sell-out crowd to its feet. After a man advantage resulted in no chances for Springfield, Jonathan Ang took matters into his own hands, receiving a stretch pass on the left wing from Matt Mangene.

The second-year pro quickly slammed on the brakes, forcing a Hartford defender to stumble. With extra ice room available, Ang rushed the front of the net before punching a forehand shot through Wolf Pack goalie Tom McCollum to open the scoring, 1-0, at 3:54.

The Wolf Pack would fire 11 shots in response in the opening period, but rookie netminder Ryan Bednard was on his game early, stopping each of the shots that came his way in the first frame. McCollum stopped eight out of nine Springfield shots on net.

The stalemate continued in

the second, but not without a few chances for the Wolf Pack to tie it. Hartford could not take advantage on a second power play past the midpoint of the period, and moments later, after a broken stick slapper by Vincent LoVerde arrived on the doorstep, Matt Beleskey missed a seemingly open net with Bednard battling to get back in front of the shot.

Wanting to add some insurance in the third, Dryden Hunt deflected a shot over the shoulder of McCollum at the 4:00 mark of the final period to make it a 2-0 game. Mangene picked up his second assist of the night, as his shot got to the front of the net for

Hunt’s backhand tip.

From there, Bednard stole the show, including one phenomenal sliding save from post-to-post on Vinni Lettieri near the midpoint of the third. Springfield clamped down and ushered home their second shutout win of the season and the first in Bednard’s AHL career. The rookie goalie is now 3-0-0 with Springfield, having stopped 98 of 101 shots.

The T-Birds embark on a five-game road trip, beginning with a Wednesday rematch in Hartford, the team’s third straight matchup against the Wolf Pack on the schedule.

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did make a couple of costly mistakes in overtime and they took advantage of them.”

The trio of sophomore guard’s Nathan Breault (20 points), Ryan Gaughan (19 points), and Brandon Wishart (19 points) combined to score 58 of the Rams 71 points. They also made 13 3-pointers.

“Granby has a bunch of very good shooters,” Trivisonno said. “They made a lot of shots in the fourth quarter, which allowed them to make a comeback against us.”

Breault and Wishart combined to score 22 points during the first half, which helped the Rams build a 33-25 halftime lead.

Gerry took over the spotlight in the third quarter. He scored the Mustangs first nine points of the quarter before Fiester hit a 3-pointer from the right corner tying the score for the sixth time at 37-37 with 4:40 left in the third quarter.

Granby retook the lead following a 3-pointer by junior guard Steven Torres Jr. (9 points) before another long bomb from

beyond the arc by Monson junior guard Connor Santos tied the score once again.

Santos wound up making a total of five 3-pointers leading to his season-high 17 points

“I thought Conner played a great game tonight,” Trivisonno said. “His confidence has really blossomed this year, which has been great to see.”

The Mustangs went from trailing by eight points at halftime to holding a three-point lead (52-49) entering the final eight minutes of regulation.

At the start of the fourth quarter, Santos hit another 3-pointer from the left corner. It was followed by a pair of inside hoops by junior guard Scottie Watson (8 points) giving the Mustangs a 59-49 advantage with six minutes left in the fourth quarter.

The Rams began their comeback with Gaughan making a pair of free throws and Breault followed with a lay-up. Then back-to-back 3-pointers by Breault and Gaughan tied the score at 59-59 with 4:05 showing on the scoreboard clock.

Three minutes later, the Mustangs took a 63-61 lead fol-

lowing a Gerry put-back hoop.

The Rams tied the score with 4.8 seconds remaining in regulation on a lay-up by Torres sending the contest into overtime.

A Fiester inside hoop and a Gerry lay-up gave the Mustangs a 67-63 lead with 2:45 left in overtime.

Then a Gaughan 3-pointer from the right corner closed the gap to 67-66.

The Rams had four turnovers and the Mustangs sealed the big victory by making five free throws during the final two minutes of overtime.

“This is a very big win for us,” Trivisonno said. “I’m very proud of my players.”

If Granby is able to qualify for the Western Mass. Division 4 tournament, there could be a third meeting between the two rivals. Their last postseason meeting took place in 2017. The Mustangs advanced into the



Scottie Watson extends for a layup.

championship game that season with an exciting 47-46 semifinal victory over the Rams at the historic Curry Hicks Cage located on the UMass Amherst campus.

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the season,” Anderson said. “It’s a refreshing win for us tonight.”

The Panthers, who’s only road win was against Frontier Regional (56-47) have scored at least 60 points in six of their first nine victories of the regular season.

A total of eight players scored for Palmer in the second meeting of the regular season with the Eagles led by senior guard Chad Bigos with a game-high 20 points. He scored 15 of his points during the first half.

“Chad is a returning League All-Star player and he’s a great teammate,” Anderson said. “He scored 15 points in the first half, but he also passed the ball to his open teammates on the court. He always wants to get everyone else involved in the game.”

Sophomore forward Jack

Letendre also reached double figures with 12 points, while his older brother Nate, who’s a senior forward, chipped in with eight points. Senior guard Alex Gladkowski came off the bench to score seven points.

The first eight minutes of the second meeting between the two teams was very close, as the largest lead either team had was three points. The score was also tied three times in the opening quarter.

With fifty seconds left in the first quarter, senior center Jacob Bollea(4 points) hit a jumper giving the Panthers a slim 21-20 advantage, which they took with them into the second stanza.

The Panthers would then pull away by scoring the next 15 points. Bigos began the run by knocking down a 3-pointer from the left side. Then a pair of inside hoops by Bollea and Jack

Letendre, which was sandwiched around a 3-pointer by senior guard Nick Pappaceno (3 points) gave the home team a 31-20 lead three minutes into the second quarter.

With 4:25 left in the first half, a lay-up by junior forward Jacob Mastalerz increased the Panthers lead to 36-20.

The Panthers wound up outscoring the Eagles 20-2 during the second quarter. Gladkowski closed out the opening half by knocking down a 3-pointer from the left side of the key and with a driving lay-up down the lane.

“We played very well during the second quarter,” Bigos said. “This is a very big win for us.”

A 3-pointer by Bigos capped off a 7-2 run giving the Panthers a 50-29 advantage in the middle of the third quarter. Bigos finished the contest with four 3-pointers, which was his season-high.

The Panthers, who led by as many as 25 points late in the third quarter, almost watched it all slip away during the final eight minutes.

Easthampton, who was led offensively by junior guard Gabe Colenback with a team-high 19 points, outscored the Panthers, 15-4 during the final quarter. The Eagles would get as close as 60-52 with 25 seconds left in regulation following a steal and a lay-up by senior guard Nate Morse (8 points).

Bigos sealed the deal by making a pair of free throws.

“They did make a comeback against us in the fourth quarter, but we did manage to keep a double digit lead,” Anderson said. “I have a lot of faith in all of my players.”

Four of the Panthers remaining six regular season games will be played on the road.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Palmer High School

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| Friday, Feb. 7 | Boys Basketball | |
| Tuesday, Feb. 11 | Away | Belchertown 7 p.m. |
| | Home | South Hadley 7 p.m. |
| | Girls Basketball | |
| Friday, Feb. 7 | Home | Sabis 7 p.m. |
| Tuesday, Feb. 11 | Away | Hampshire 7 p.m. |
| Wednesday, Feb. 12 | Home | Southwick 7 p.m. |
| | Ice Hockey (co-op with Amherst Regional) | |
| Saturday, Feb. 8 | Home | Drury 7:30 p.m. |
| Wednesday, Feb. 12 | Away | Chicopee 6:30 p.m. |

Monson High School

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| | Boys Basketball | |
| Thursday, Feb. 6 | Home | Renaissance 7 p.m. |
| Saturday, Feb. 8 | Home | Greenfield 2:30 p.m. |
| Monday, Feb. 10 | Home | Belchertown 7 p.m. |
| Wednesday, Feb. 12 | Away | Southwick 7 p.m. |
| | Girls Basketball | |
| Friday, Feb. 7 | Away | Amherst 7 p.m. |
| Tuesday, Feb. 11 | Home | Ludlow 7 p.m. |

Pathfinder High School

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| Monday, Feb. 10 | Boys Basketball | |
| | Away | Smith Voke 6:30 p.m. |
| | Girls Basketball | |
| Monday, Feb. 10 | Home | Ludlow 7 p.m. |
| Tuesday, Feb. 11 | Home | Franklin Tech 7 p.m. |
| | Wrestling | |
| Saturday, Feb. 8 | Away | Southwick Duals 9 a.m. |

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Committee and the Collaborative provide extensive support, resources and expertise in the delivery of insight and programmatic initiatives leading to cultural competencies to the membership. At the completion of the workshops, attendees created school action plans, “To Know is to Understand -- Plan For Action” focusing on workshop take-aways such as, “become aware of our own privileges and understand the many ‘-isms’ that exist,” “accept yourself before accepting others,” and “have the discussions that matter, even if they make you uncomfortable.” Rubin, MIAA stated, “The recent DEI Summit was an exemplary blueprint for what the Committee is trying to accomplish.”

The Summit provided two keynote speakers, Muji Karim, a Paralympic Track and Field Athlete, and Briana

Mastel, a member of Boston Pride of the National Women’s Hockey League. Mr. Karim’s message to “see the silver lining” when dealing with obstacles and Ms. Mastel’s encouragement to be a “strong link” and “to help others” are in alignment with the MIAA Wellness Pillar and inclusion message. In addition, Javier Cevallos, President of Framingham State University, and Yvonne Spicer, Mayor of Framingham, addressed the attendees with a warm welcome to the City of Framingham. Rubin stated, “The two keynote speakers and eight amazing presenters shared information, celebrated differences, and engaged attendees to think critically about the totality of Inclusion!”

Summit attendees included Student Leaders, Group Leaders, Coaches, Teachers, Team Captains, Counselors and Administrators.

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tournament.

The current proposal of a 32-team tournament by the MIAA states the higher seed would host games in the first three rounds with the semifinals and finals at neutral sites.

While it is the impression of skeptics that Eastern Mass. would host most of the games, some projections of how seedings would take shape were tried with the most recent soccer tournaments. According to those projects, teams like Belchertown boys soccer, Ludlow boys soccer, and Minnechaug girls soccer, would all have very high seeds and host a number of games in the tournament.

However, it is still unclear if Western Mass. would get an opportunity to

host state semifinal and final games. Hosting the state finals was attempted for basketball, and failed due to gate receipts.

Some of the questions still lingering state wide are the increased travel costs for smaller schools. No matter what part of the state a school is in, with tighter school budgets, having to pay bus drivers to transport teams on two to four hour trips could be problematic for schools with smaller budgets and less flexibility on spending. It could lead to larger athletic user fees for student-athletes.

The lingering effects could be seen as the years go on, but only time will tell if a statewide tournament has long-term negative effects on Western Massachusetts.

DEATH NOTICES

Bishop, Irene M.
Died Jan. 30, 2020
Services were Feb. 3, 2020
St. Thomas the Apostle
Church
Palmer

Clark, Sidney W.
Died Jan. 30, 2020
Celebration of Life Feb. 15,
2020; Palmer Historical
Cultural Center
Three Rivers

Collins, Eulalia S. (Jez)
Died Jan. 28, 2020
Funeral Service Feb. 4,
2020
Beers & Story Belchertown
Funeral Home
Belchertown

Matthews, Gary A.
Died Sept. 20, 2019

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O B I T U A R I E S

Irene M. Bishop

PALMER – Irene M. Bishop, 93, a long time resident of Palmer, passed away on Jan. 30, 2020. She was born on Jan. 25, 1927, in Palmer to Peter and Eva Ditto.

Irene graduated from Palmer High School in 1944. She was a member of St Thomas the Apostle Church, Rosary Sodality and Daughters of Isabella. Irene was predeceased by her loving husband, Robert B Bishop, and

siblings, Catherine DuComb, Peter, Thomas and John Ditto.

She will be deeply missed by her children Kathleen (Carl), Robert (Laura), Nancy(Jeff), Ann, James (Annette), eight grandchildren and seven great grand children, sister-in-law Barbara Hooton (Leonard) and Teresa Ditto.

Irene was a devoted mother and caregiver of her twin brothers. Her greatest joy was having

large family gatherings. She also enjoyed traveling with her husband, gardening and bird watching.

Services were held on Feb. 3, at St Thomas the Apostle Church in Palmer. Burial followed in St Thomas Cemetery. For those wishing to do so, memorial contributions may be made to St Thomas the Apostle Cemetery Fund.

Sidney “Sid” Wallace Clark

PALMER – Sidney “Sid” Wallace Clark, 92 of Palmer, passed away Thursday evening, Jan. 30, 2020, at home with family. He was born to Northern Irish immigrants Walter and Susanna (Sinclair) Clark in Three Rivers, the sixth of seven children.

Sid attended local schools, graduating from Palmer High School. He entered the U.S. Army, during World War II, stationed as an M.P. in Paris, France. Upon his honorable discharge as the Army’s then youngest staff sergeant, he received the European Theater Ribbon, Victory Ribbon, Occupation Ribbon, Good Conduct and Service Medal of Valor.

He was employed for a short time at Monsanto and Springfield Foundry and then as a finisher at Church Seat in Monson for many years, as well as doing carpentry work, before joining the Palmer Police Department in October 1961. In February 1990, Sid retired after 28 years with the #2 badge.

He was a life member of the Swift River Sportsman’s Club and former member of Three Rivers Amvets. Sid enjoyed carpentry, hunting, fishing, watching the Red Sox, strolling the Quabbin Reservoir and New Salem woods. Most importantly, he loved time spent with his family. Sid, known as Smiley, was a simple man with simple needs and wishes.

He married Audrey Royce in 1950 and they had just celebrated 70 years on Jan. 13th. Together they raised their family in Palmer. Sidney was predeceased by his parents, all his siblings, an infant daughter and many nieces and nephews. He is survived by his loving wife, Audrey, his daughters, Beth, and her husband, Thomas Zelazo, of Palmer, Maureen, and life partner, David Gilman, of Adams, his grandson, Clark Zelazo, and his wife,



Stephanie (Smith), of Springfield, and Caryn Zelazo, of Palmer, as well as many nieces and nephews across the states. Family was his greatest pride. Sidney’s family would like to thank the Palmer Ambulance and Palmer Police along with his home care and hospice team of Hazel, Vicky, Marissa, Lena, Alice, and Angela for their compassionate care.

A Celebration of Life will be held at the Palmer Historical Cultural Center in Three Rivers on Saturday, Feb. 15, from noon to 3 p.m. A private interment will be at the convenience of the family in the spring. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Swift River Sportsman’s Club, 350 Cold Spring Road, Belchertown, MA, 01007. For online condolences, please visit www.beersandstory.com.

Eulalia S. Collins

AMHERST – Eulalia S. (Jez) Collins passed away Jan. 28, 2020. Born in Chicopee on May 8, 1929, she was the daughter of John and Gabriella (Motyka) Jez.

Her early life was spent in the Three Rivers section of Palmer. Eulalia was educated in the Palmer School system and graduated from Palmer High School in 1947. She went on to further her education for two years at Gaugh’s Business School and then at the Springfield Conservatory of Music. Eulalia was a

charter member of the Old Historic Deerfield and worked for several attorneys and colleges in the New England states. Eulalia has lived in Amherst since 1969, and previously resided in Vermont for 11 years.

She will be dearly missed by her husband of 63 years, Robert, who she married in 1956. She also leaves behind her dear nephew, James Collins, and his wife, Alice, of Belchertown, and her cousin, Melinda, and husband, George Johnson, of West Warren, along with several cousins

and many nieces and nephews. Visitation was held on Monday Feb. 3 from 5 to 7 p.m. at Beers & Story Funeral Home in Belchertown. A funeral service will be held on Feb. 4, at 10 a.m., at the Beers & Story Belchertown Funeral Home. Burial will follow in Four Corners Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Baystate Wing Hospital or the charity of one’s choice. For details, please visit www.beersandstory.com.

Gary Andrew Matthews

BRIMFIELD – Gary Andrew Matthews, 70, of Brimfield, passed away on Sept. 20, 2019, due to complications from his cancer treatments. Gary was born in Albany, New York, son of James Andrew Matthews and Jean Van Auken Matthews, who pre-deceased him.

He leaves behind a son, Cody Matthews, of Palmer, along with four sisters, Linda Roderick, of Mystic, Connecticut, Susan Carpenter, of Harwich, Barbara Miller, of Dennis Port, and Ellen Somero, of Rindge, New Hampshire.

Gary moved with his family from Albany to Poughkeepsie to Long Island to Harmony, Rhode Island, where he graduated from Ponaganset High School, North

Scituate, Rhode Island, in 1968. He attended Hudson Valley Community College in Troy, New York. He made friends easily at each of the family’s moves with his outgoing personality. Gary started working as a paper boy at a young age on Long Island and occasionally delivered the papers on his route on horseback using a friend’s horse. He was a talented drummer and a member of local rock bands playing at area venues as a teen.

Gary was employed as a claims adjuster for Kemper Insurance, a plumber’s assistant at EWS Plumbing, and was a res-



ident farm manager at River Rock Farm. He was always ready to help out a friend with his handy man talents. He shared his love of horses with many friends by organizing trail rides locally and in Lake George, New York. Gary lovingly built his own A-frame log house, cutting the trees on his land and using his Belgium draft horse to haul them out of the woods. He loved his many animals and also boarded his friends’ horses on his Brimfield farm when needed.

“Happy Trails to you, Gary, until we meet again.”

Police/Fire

Police Logs

PALMER

The Palmer Police Department responded to a total of 418 calls from Jan. 27 through Feb. 3. The department made eight arrests or summons. Those arrested will appear at a future date in the Palmer District Court and are innocent until proven guilty.

Friday, Jan. 31

Roy D. Walker, 61 Mashapaug Rd., Holland, was arrested at 1:25 a.m., on Park Street in Palmer, on charges of operating under the influence of liquor; negligent operation of a motor vehicle; speeding, having no inspection sticker; and failing to drive in the right lane.

Fire Logs

Palmer

The Palmer Fire Department responded to a total of 16 calls from Jan. 27 to Feb. 4.

On Monday, Jan. 27, at 10:04 p.m., the department responded to a gas leak on Park Street. The department returned to service at 10:31 p.m.

On Monday, Jan. 27, at 3:41 p.m., the department responded to a chimney fire on Calkins Road, with mutual aid from the Three Rivers Fire Department. The department returned to service at 2:14 p.m.

On Tuesday, Jan. 28, at 9:16 a.m., the department provided medical assistance on South Main Street. The department returned to service at 9:45 a.m.

On Tuesday, Jan. 28 at 11 a.m., the department provided medical assistance on Central Street. The department returned to service at 11:23 p.m.

On Wednesday, Jan. 29, at 8:44 a.m., the department responded to a structure fire on Thorndike Street. The department returned to service at 10:05 a.m.

On Wednesday, Jan. 29, at 3 p.m., the department provided assistance to a governmental agency on Thorndike Street. The department returned to service at 3:55 p.m.

On Thursday, Jan. 30, at 3:36 a.m., the department provided medical assistance on Thorndike Street. The department returned to service at 4:13 a.m.

On Thursday, Jan. 30, at 10:45 a.m., the department provided public assistance on Park Street. The department returned to service at 11:11 a.m.

On Thursday, Jan. 30, at 3:03 p.m., the department provided medical assistance on Thorndike Street. The department returned to service at 3:17 p.m.

Gene D. Destromp, 33, of 1540 Park St., Palmer, was arrested at 6:57 p.m., on Thorndike Street in Palmer, on charges of operating under the influence of liquor (third offense); negligent operation of a motor vehicle; a marked lanes violation; resisting arrest; interfering with a police officer; operating under the influence while license suspended for an operating under the influence offense; breaking and entering with the intent to commit misdemeanor; and vandalizing property.

Jerome Antoine Douchette, 36, of 48 Claire St., Chicopee, was arrested at 6:57 p.m., on Thorndike Street on Palmer, on charges of disorderly conduct; assault; and interfering with a police officer.

Saturday, Feb. 3

Richard Anthony Robinson, 35, of 36 Grove St., Palmer, on a warrant.

MONSON

The Monson Police Department responded to a total of 197 calls from Jan. 26 through Feb. 1. The department made eight arrests or summons. Those arrested will appear at a future date in the Palmer District Court and are innocent until proven guilty.

Tuesday, Jan. 28

Robert R. Kovach, 31, of 5 Prospect Hts. Stafford Springs, Connecticut, was arrested at 1:06 p.m., on a warrant.

Wednesday, Jan. 29, at 8:46 a.m., the department provided mutual to the Palmer Fire Department. The department returned to service at 9:28 a.m.

On Thursday, Jan. 30, at 9:23 a.m., the department responded to an EMS incident on Palmer Road. The department returned to service at 9:45 a.m.

On Friday, Jan. 31, at 4:46 p.m., the department responded to a carbon monoxide detector activation on Maple Terrace. The department returned to service at 5:10 p.m.

On Monday, Feb. 3, at 1:32 p.m., the department provided public assistance on Springfield Street. The department returned to service at 1:45 a.m.

MONSON

The Monson Fire Department responded to 18 EMS Calls and four Fire Calls from Jan. 27 to Feb. 2.

On Wednesday, Jan. 29, at 9:08 a.m., the department responded to a motor vehicle accident in the area of Cote and Wilbraham Road. The department returned to service at 9:20 a.m.

On Friday, Jan. 31, at 7:26 p.m., the department responded to a sinkhole involving a back yard at 21 State St. The department returned to service at 9:50 a.m.

On Saturday, Feb. 1, at 9:30 a.m., the department conducted a smoke investigation at 196 Main St. The department returned to service at 9:50 a.m.

On Sunday, Feb. 2, at 1:07 p.m., the department responded to a chimney fire on 379 Main St. The department returned to service at 1:40 p.m.

Help make comfort quilts

NORTH BROOKFIELD –The public is invited to participate in the Comfort Quilts Service Project on Wednesday, Feb. 26, from 10 a.m. to noon, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, 108 New Braintree Road., which is 2.2 miles north of the center of North Brookfield. Over the last several years several hundred Comfort Quilts have been made and donated to local police, fire, and EMT departments for use by car crash, fire or other disaster victims. The quilts offer comfort and warmth at the scene of any type of distressing upheaval and provide a particularly vital sense of safety and solace for children involved in traumatic situations.

Community members are invited to join us as we put together even more comfort quilts. The task requires no particular skill, just a warm heart, an hour or two, and a smile. Refreshments are served to keep stomachs happy as we enjoy each other’s company and put together comfort quilts. For more information, call 508-867-9962.

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WALES BAPTIST CHURCH located at 23 Main St., Wales Will have music by the Praise and Worship Group on Sundays from 9-9:45 a.m. Sunday service is at 10 a.m., Bible studies are held on Sunday at 9 a.m. and Wednesday at 7 p.m. Ladies Bible study is Tuesday at 10 a.m. A St. Patrick's Day Croned Beef Dinner will be Saturday, March 16 at 4 p.m. A Strawberry Music Missions Festival is held in June and the Annual Share Fair is Oct. 5, 2019.

DIVINE MERCY PARISH, located at the former Sts. Peter & Paul Church on Main Street in Three Rivers offers Holy Mass on these days and times. The Lord's Day: Saturday Vigils at 4 and 5:15 p.m.; Sunday at 8 a.m. (in Polish) and 9:30 a.m.; Daily Masses (except Tuesday) at 8 a.m.; Tuesday preceded by Miraculous Medal and Our Lady of Czestochowa Novena at 5:30 p.m.; Holy days at 8 a.m. and either 5:30 or 7 p.m.; Seasonal Devotions in Lent, May and October.

Pastor is Rev. Stefan Niemczyk, and Permanent Deacon is Rev. Mr. John Fox.

SECOND CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, 1080 Pleasant St., Palmer, welcomes believers, seekers, and visitors. Traditional, friendly Sunday services at 10 a.m. value every participant, featuring varied musical offerings and meaningful messages relevant to today's world. We seek participation of children in our services and Sunday School, with Child Care also available. Fellowship Times after each service offer delicious snacks with opportunities to chat with others. Videotaped recordings on Sundays available at 7 a.m. and 4 p.m. on Cable Channel 15. Discover some true values in our Thrift Shop (Fri/Sat, 10-2). Contact us at 283-5206, secondchurchpalmer.org, Palmer UCC Church on Facebook, or second.church@verizon.net. Visit occasionally or find your spiritual home – your choice!

ST. PATRICK'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH at 22 Green St. in Monson will hold Masses on Saturdays at 4 p.m. and Sundays at 8:30 a.m., Miraculous Medal Novena on Tuesdays at 8 a.m. and St. Peregrine Novena on Fridays at 7 p.m. Also recently added is Divine Mercy Chaplet on Fridays at 3 p.m. Pastor is Fr. John J. Brennan. For more information call 267-3622 or visit patrickmonson.org.

GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH has moved to Monson, at 125 Main St. (back of Norcross House). Services will be held on Sundays at 9 and 11 a.m., with a children's church lesson during the 11 a.m. service. Food and fellowship follow the service. On Wednesday night, there will be a prayer and worship service at 6 p.m. The Grace Cafe Open Mic Night will be held the last Friday of every month at 7 p.m. Contact Pastor Larry Desreuisseau with questions at 413-559-1618.

NEW BIRTH CHRISTIAN CHURCH at 29 Church St. in Thorndike (across from the post office) would like to invite you to their regular services: Sunday Morning Worship and Children's Church are held at 11 a.m. (A nursery is provided for all services). For more info, call the Rev. William Webb at 283-5130.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST, 20 Main St., P.O. Box 203, Brimfield hosts weekly worship each Sunday at 10:30 a.m. with Pastor Dawn Adams. A free community breakfast is offered before services at 9:30 a.m. and coffee hour follows worship. For more information on the church, services and activities, call 413-245-

7162, or visit www.brimfielducc.org.

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH, at the corner of Park and Pleasant streets in Ware, will hold regular worship services each Sunday at 10 a.m. with church school for children at 9:15 a.m. For more information call Rev. Mary Rosendale at 413-967-6100.

CROSSWAY CHRISTIAN CHURCH at 2230 Main St., Three Rivers, holds a relevant, doctrinally sound and friendly place of worship for the entire family with Pastors Dennis and Heather Marais. Sunday Services at 10 a.m. and Children's Church at 10 a.m. Lunch is served after the Sunday service. Join us for E.P.I.C. (Endless Possibilities In Christ), every first and third Friday of the month. The doors are open for all youth, ages 12 to 18 or sixth to 12th grade. The youth zone will offer a variety of free play areas and group gaming, including air hockey, ping pong, corn hole and craft zone, as well as a group message from the Word of God. For more info, call 413-297-5488, email crosswayusa@comcast.net or visit www.facebook.com/crosswaypalmer or www.TheCrossway.org.

ST. CHRISTOPHER ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH at 16 Sturbridge Road in Brimfield holds Masses on Saturday at 6 p.m. and Sunday at 10:30 a.m., weekday Masses at 9 a.m. on Monday and Wednesday, with the Miraculous Medal Novena and Adoration following Wednesday's Mass. Pastor is Father John "Jack" J. Brennan who is also the pastor for St. Patrick's in Monson. For more information call 413-245-7274 or email stchrisbrimfield@gmail.com.

MONSON-GLENDALE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH at the corner of Main & Cushman streets in Monson invites you to worship on Sunday mornings at 10 a.m. Child Care is provided. Sunday School from preschool through senior high begins at 9:45 a.m. To learn more, contact the Rev. Ira Cameron at 267-3798 or email m-gumc@verizon.net or visit umcmg.org.

FAITH BAPTIST CHURCH at 251 Shearer St. in Palmer invites the public to the following weekly services: Sunday morning Bible school at 9:30 a.m., Sunday worship at 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m. Wednesday night Grow Ministry at 6:30 p.m. Child care is provided during all services as well as children's church for age 4 to 10 during Sunday morning services. Services may be seen Sundays at 12:30 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. on cable TV channel 15 as well as a program titled "Reflections" at 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. A radio broadcast, "Melodies of Faith," airs over WARE 1250 AM each Sunday morning at 7:05 a.m. For more information, call 283-7560 or visit faithbaptist-churchpalmer.com.

ST. PAUL'S UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH at the corner of Park and Central streets in Palmer has welcomed Rev. Rae Perteet and his wife Kimberly. The church invites you

every Sunday morning at 10 a.m. for worship services. A time of fellowship and refreshments follows the service at 11 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. Funday School for children ages 4 to 11 will be held at 10 a.m. Come as you are to join the free flow of ideas and ideals that is Unitarian Universalism. There is a place for you here. For more information call 413-283-8185 or email stpaulsuuchurch@gmail.com or visit www.uuchurch-palmer.org or on Facebook at "St. Paul's Unitarian Universalist Church of Palmer."

THE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST PARISH OF MONSON located at 177 Main St., Monson holds services on Sundays at 10 a.m., starting on the first Sunday after Labor Day through the third Sunday in June. Guest ministers and lay leaders lead services. All are welcome to attend for food and fellowship after services. Unitarian Universalism nurtures those of widely different beliefs to pursue beloved community and a world where all people experience dignity and worth. For more information, visit uupm.org.

THE FIRST CHURCH OF MONSON, Congregational/United Church of Christ, at 5 High St. in Monson invites you to regular worship services which are held Sunday mornings at 10 a.m., followed by a time of fellowship and refreshments. A free breakfast is served each Sunday from 8 to 9:45 a.m. from mid-September to mid-June (donations are accepted but not required). Everyone is welcome. Sunday School and nursery care are offered during worship from the second Sunday in September through mid-June. Whoever you are, wherever you are on life's journey, you are welcome here. For more information, please call 413-267-3312, visit www.firstchurchmonson.org, email office@firstchurchmonson.org, find the church on Facebook at www.facebook.com/firstchurchmonson.

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PARISH located at 1076 Thorndike Ma. Fr. Richard M. Turner, Pastor Tel. 283-5091, email: sttompal@comcast.net. Masses are: Mon through Fri. @ 9:00 am, Sat. 4:30 pm, Sun. 8:30am and 11:00am. Holydays @ 9:00 am and 6:00 pm. Confessions: Sat. 3:30 pm- 4:10 pm or by appointment. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Mondays. 9:30 am to 1pm. Miraculous Medal Novena Tuesdays @9:30 am. Every 2nd Saturday of the Month a Parish Family and Friends homemade dinner is served at 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm all in our community are invited to please join us, free will donations are accepted and appreciated. **SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH**, at 1050 Thorndike St., Palmer invites the community each Sunday at 10 a.m. for a time of worship, fellowship and prayer. There is Bible Study every Thursday at the church at 2 p.m. For more information contact the church at 413-289-6464 or 2nd-baptistchurch@comcast.net.

BETHANY CHARISMATIC CATHOLIC CHURCH at 167 Dunhamtown Road in Brimfield (www.bethanyccc.org). Masses are Saturday at 4 p.m., Sunday at 9 a.m. and Wednesday at 6 p.m., followed by night prayer. Sacrament of Reconciliation by appointment. For more information or to speak to a member of the clergy call 413-324-1164 and leave a message. Come join us in worship of our great and loving God.

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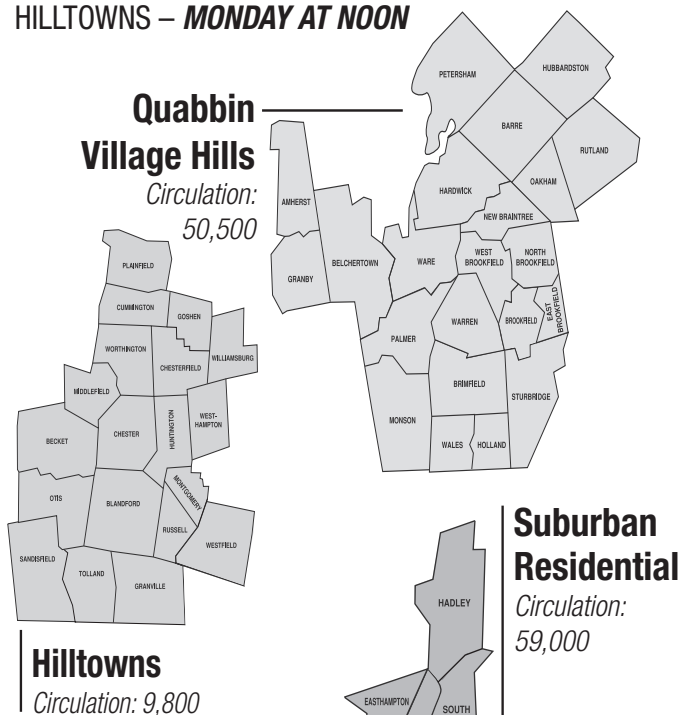


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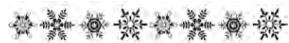
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To all interested persons:
A Petition for **Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by: **John D Cunningham III** of Gloucester MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that: **John D Cunningham**

III of Gloucester MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in an **unsupervised** administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on **02/25/2020**.

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return date, action may be taken without further notice to you.

UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)

A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

WITNESS, Hon.
Barbara M Hyland, First Justice of this Court.
Date: January 28, 2020

Suzanne T. Seguin
Register of Probate
2/06/2020

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The Palmer Community Development Director will conduct a Public Hearing on **Thursday, February 13, 2020 at 6:00 PM** in the meeting room of the Town Administration Building, 4417 Main Street, Palmer, MA. If Town Hall is closed due to inclement weather on that date, the Public Hearing will be held on Thursday, February 20, 2020 at 6:00 PM instead.

The purpose of this Public Hearing is to solicit input relative to the performance of the FY 19

Massachusetts Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program and the development and submission of a grant application under the FY 20 CDBG Program.

The CDBG Program is funded by the Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development through the use of federal funds under the Housing & Community Development Act of 1974 as amended.

The activities included in the FY 19 CDBG Program are a Housing Rehabilitation Program, sidewalk installation on Fairview Street, and domestic violence services.

Projects currently under consideration for inclusion in Palmer's FY 20 application include: a Housing Rehabilitation Program; design for a new playground/park at Hymiewicz Park; planning funding to create a housing production plan, and social service programs.

All interested persons, groups, and agencies are invited to attend and participate. Any person or organization so wishing will be afforded the opportunity to be heard. Additional information can be obtained by contacting the Palmer Community Development Department at 4417 Main Street, Palmer, MA 01069 or (413) 283-2614 or sszczebak@townofpalmer.com.

Persons requiring special accommodations should contact the Palmer Community Development Department at least one week prior to the public hearing.

1/30, 2/06/2020

**Commonwealth of
Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Hampden Probate and
Family Court
50 State Street
Springfield, MA 01103
(413)748-7758
Docket No. HD20P0151EA
Estate of: John J Doolin
Date of Death: 01/05/2020
CITATION ON
PETITION FOR
FORMAL
ADJUDICATION**

To all interested persons:
A Petition for **Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by: **Lauri A Landry** of Palmer, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

ed in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that: **Lauri A Landry** of Palmer, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in an **unsupervised** administration.

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WITNESS, Hon.
Barbara M Hyland, First Justice of this Court.
Date: January 28, 2020

Suzanne T. Seguin
Register of Probate
2/06/2020

LEGAL NOTICE

Pursuant to the provisions of MA Gen. Laws, Chap. 255, Sec. 39A, the following vehicles will be sold at public auction for towing and storage charges due: **PLYMOUTH VIN:IP3XA46KONF214406 Stephen Magnanpe 10 Spring St N. Brookfield, MA; MAZDA VIN:4F2C20Z238KM26005 Angelo Hill 41 Alvard St Chicopee, MA; AUDI VIN: WAUFFAFL7DN034216 Panuwat Thongkhot P.O. Box 266 Barre, MA; FORD**

VIN:1FAFP55U92G123987 Hayden Miltz 54 Middle St Amherst, MA; **PONTIAC VIN:5Y2SL62833Z468312 Anthony Ruscemi 255 Brookside Cir Florence, MA; NISSAN VIN:3N1AB61E38L697824 Ronald Chartier 68 Fairview St Ludlow, MA; HYUNDAI VIN:KMHD35LH9HU357698 Morgan LaBelle 384 Appleton St Holyoke, MA. This auction is to take place on February 22, 2020, 10:00 A.M. at LaBontes & Son LLC, 241 Wilbraham St., Palmer, MA 01069.**

2/06, 2/13, 2/20/2020

LEGAL NOTICE

In accordance with the provisions of the Massachusetts General Law 105A, for the purpose of satisfying the liens of LaBonte Self Storage, in order to satisfy past due rents and other expenses, the stored goods of the following named people, including household items will be sold at public lien sale at **9:00 AM on February 14, 2020**, on the premises of **LaBonte Self Storage, 250 Wilbraham Street, Palmer, MA:**

Joseph S. Ragno
23 Canal Street
Ware, MA 01082

Todd A. Lavallee
Post Office Box 502
Thordike, MA 01079

Richard D. Chamberlain
44 Valeyview B
Ware, MA 01082-1647

Michael Mansfield
6 Michael Drive
Thordike, MA 01079

Sandra Danforth
2378 Main Street
Three Rivers, MA 01080

Heather Korzec
3 Pine View Drive
Monson, MA 01057

Jessica M. Ventura
144 Breckenridge Street
Palmer, MA 01069
1/30, 2/06/2020

**Commonwealth of
Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Hampden Probate and
Family Court
50 State Street
Springfield, MA 01103
Docket No. HD19P1887GD
In the interests of
Kodah R Lavolette-
Gonzalez
Of Palmer, MA
Minor
NOTICE AND ORDER:
Petition for Appointment
of Guardian of a Minor
NOTICE TO ALL
INTERESTED PARTIES**

1. **Hearing Date/Time:**
A hearing on a Petition for Appointment of Guardian of a Minor filed on 09/26/2019 by **Todd M Stafford** of Palmer, MA will be held **02/24/2020 08:15 AM** Guardianship of Minor Hearing Located Probate and Family Court, 4th Floor, 50 State Street, Springfield, MA 01103

2. **Response to Petition:**
You may respond by filing

a written response to the Petition or by appearing in person at the hearing. If you choose to file a written response, you need to:

File the original with the Court; and

Mail a copy to all interested parties at least five (5) business days before the hearing.

3. **Counsel for the Minor:** The minor (or an adult on behalf of the minor) has the right to request that counsel be appointed for the minor.

4. **Counsel for Parents:** If you are a parent of the minor child who is the subject of this proceeding you have a right to be represented by an attorney. If you want an attorney and cannot afford to pay for one and if you give proof that you are indigent, an attorney will be assigned to you. Your request for an attorney should be made immediately by filling out the Application of Appointment of Counsel form. Submit the application form in person or by mail at the court location where your case is going to be heard.

5. **Presence of the Minor at Hearing:** A minor over age 14 has the right to be present at any hearing, unless the Court finds that it is not in the minor's best interests. Date: January 28, 2020

Suzanne T. Seguin
Register of Probate
2/06/2020

LEGAL NOTICE

In accordance with the provisions of the Massachusetts General Law 105A, for the purpose of satisfying the liens of **Shed Rent.com llc**, in order to satisfy past due rents and other expenses, the stored goods of the following named people, including household items will be sold at public lien sale at **10:00 AM on February 14, 2020**, on the premises of **Apple Self Storage, 1207 South Main Street, Palmer, MA:**

Kathy L. Brothers
1025 Central Street Unit H
Palmer, MA 01069
1/30, 2/06/2020

**TOWN OF PALMER
REQUEST FOR
PROPOSALS
FOR SIDEWALK
DESIGN ON
FAIRVIEW STREET**

The Town of Palmer, through its Community Development Department, is seeking proposals for professional services for the design of sidewalks on Fairview Street. The project will include removing the existing sidewalks along the western side of Fairview Street from Shearer Street to Searle Street, and replacing with new sidewalks. New sidewalks (where none currently exist) will be constructed along the western side of Fairview Street from Searle Street to Fletcher Street. Services under this request will include surveying existing conditions,

including but not limited to, identifying the right of way, abutting property lines to the right of way, topography (with spot grades), surface utilities, road curb line, road center line, site details, trees & vegetation; as well as researching existing easements, determining what easements are needed and preparing all documents necessary for the new easements. The selected firm will insure that the new sidewalks will comply with all applicable Federal, State, and local laws and regulations (including the Americans with Disabilities Act) and requesting variances as needed. The design firm will be responsible for preparing bid-ready plans and specifications. The firm selected for the project shall have a minimum of 5 years of experience in the design, permitting, contract administration, and construction observation of sidewalk reconstruction projects. All work under this contract must be completed by July 15, 2020.

The entire proposal (technical and price proposals) must be submitted no later than **2:00 PM on Tuesday, February 18, 2020**. The Town of Palmer reserves the sole right to review the Proposals submitted, waive any irregularities therein, and to select or reject any or all submissions deemed by the Town of Palmer to be in its best interest.

For complete requirements for proposals, please contact Sarah Szczebak at sszczebak@townofpalmer.com.
1/30, 2/06/2020

**REQUEST FOR
PROPOSALS (RFP):
SOLID WASTE
AND RECYCLING
COLLECTION,
TRANSPORTATION AND
PROCESSING**

The Town of Monson, MA is requesting proposals for a three (3) year collection, hauling and processing contract beginning July 1, 2020 and expiring June 30, 2023. The Town will accept proposals from qualified parties for providing the following town-wide services: curbside solid waste collection and transportation; curbside recyclables collection and processing; curbside collection and processing/disposal of white goods and bulky items; and collection and processing of solid waste and recyclables from municipal buildings and schools.

The Request for Proposals (RFP) may be obtained electronically on or after January 31, 2020. Register with the Monson Selectmen's Office via email at ebarrassard@monson-ma.gov. After registering, an email will be sent with the RFP documents. Hard copies of the RFP will not be made available. **Proposals are due at 12:00 p.m. on**

**Please check
the accuracy of
your legal notice
prior to submission (i.e., date,
time, spelling).
Also, be sure
the requested
publication date
coincides with
the purpose of the
notice, or as the
law demands.
Thank you.**

March 10, 2020 at the Monson Selectmen's Office, 110 Main Street Monson, MA.

Evan Brassard
Monson Town Administrator
2/06/2020

**COMMONWEALTH
OF MASSACHUSETTS
LAND COURT
DEPARTMENT OF THE
TRIAL COURT 20
SM 000036 ORDER OF
NOTICE**

TO: **Meghan E. Thompson**

and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. c. 50 §3901 (*et seq*)

**Massachusetts Housing
Finance Agency**

claiming to have an interest in a mortgage covering real property in Holland, 4 Forest Drive, given by Meghan E. Thompson to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Norwich Commercial Group, Inc. D/B/A Norcom Mortgage, dated March 24, 2014, and recorded at Hampden County Registry of Deeds in Book 20227, Page 347, and now held by Plaintiff by assignment, has filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant's Servicemembers status.

If you now are, or recently have been, in the active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. If you object to a foreclosure of the above mentioned property on that basis, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in this court at **Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108** on or before **March 02, 2020** or you may lose the opportunity to challenge the foreclosure on ground of noncompliance with the Act.

Witness, GORDON H. PIPER, Chief Justice of said Court on January 15, 2020

Attest:
Deborah J. Patterson
Recorder
2/06/2020

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visit www.publicnotices.turley.com

Community CALENDAR

E-mail items to dfarmer@turley.com or mail to Calendar Editor, Journal Register, 24 Water St., Palmer, MA 01069, for receipt by Monday of week for publication.

NOW

INTERESTED IN QUILTING?

The Quaboag Valley Quilters Guild is looking for new members. The Guild meets on the 1st, 3rd, and 5th Thursdays of the month at 1 p.m. in the basement of the Palmer Historical and Cultural Center, 2072 Main St., Three Rivers. The Guild is a no pressure group with varying degrees of accomplishments, from novice to Big E “Best In Show” winners. The membership fee is \$48 a year. For more information, contact Barbara Beaulieu at 267-4044 or Merry Mombourquette at 283-7577. Follow us on Facebook.

CHURCH CABOOSE THRIFT SHOP at Second Congregational Church, 1080 Pleasant St., Palmer has bargains on clothing, household items, linens, books, crafts and more. Come and see Fridays and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Call 283-6958 for more information.

THE MONSON LIONS CLUB has a 20-foot x 20-foot tent for rent. The cost is \$75 for a two-day event. The club will put it up and take it down. For more details, contact Curt at 413-668-6653.

DAY SPRING LODGE A.F. & A.M. located 14 Bliss St., Monson is making its hall available for rent for \$75 for a variety of parties and functions. For reservations,, call Doug Battige at 413-267-5855 or 413-265-9398.

RESERVE YOUR CELEBRATION TENT now for your First Communion, bridal and baby showers, graduation parties, family reunions, birthday parties or any other kind of celebration you may have outdoors. The Palmer Lions Club has a tent for you, either 20-feet x 20-feet for \$125 or 20-feet x 40-feet for \$200. This includes setup and takedown in the Palmer area. Call Karen at 413-813-8445 to make a reservation. You may need to leave a message and your call will be returned. The Palmer Lions Club tent rental fees go towards assistance for the people of Palmer, Bondsville, Three Rivers and Thorndike.

MONSON WOODWACKERS wood carving club will meet every Thursday at Memorial Hall, 198 Main St., Monson from 6-8 p.m. The club meets throughout the year. Membership is \$10 for the year, payable in September. Anyone interested should call Barbara Mackintosh at 413-237-8303. There are many beginner projects and experienced teachers, as well, within the club.

STAINED GLASS MAKING CLASS will be held on Thursdays at the Holland Community Center from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. or 6-9 p.m. Glass and tools are supplied. Take six classes for \$48. Class sizes are limited and are open to all ages. For more information call Tom Baltazar at 508-245-2525.

PALMER SALVATION ARMY Service Extension Unit offers residents in Palmer and Brimfield emergency assistance on a periodic basis. The outreach coordinator will be located on the second floor of St. Paul’s Unitarian Universalist Church at 1060 Central St., Palmer. You must schedule an appointment by calling 413-221-8283 so you know what documentation to bring since those seeking assistance have to meet certain criteria and show proof of need. Please leave your name, number and the date you called. Phone messages are checked weekly, not daily.

MONSON SALVATION ARMY Service Extension Unit offers residents in Monson and bordering towns emergency assistance on a periodic basis including funds for fuel and utilities, food, clothing, diapers, furniture and prescriptions. Clients can meet the second Monday of each month (if that date falls on a holiday, it will be the following week) from 12:30-2:30 p.m. at the Monson Senior Center, 106 Main St., Monson. To schedule an appointment, call 267-4121 so you know what documentation to bring.

BOOKSTORE at the Unitarian Universalist Parish of Monson at the corner of Lincoln and Main streets in Monson is open the first Friday of every month from 5:30-7:30 p.m., the third Saturday of every month from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Books priced from 25 cents to \$1 each: fiction, nonfiction, thrillers, horror, mystery, science fiction, how-to, classic literature, children’s books, romances, cookbooks, gardening books and more. All proceeds benefit the parish. Donations are accepted. Call Mary at 267-0033 for more information.

MARTHA’S TABLE STAFF at the Monson-Glendale United Methodist

Church is supporting the Monson Open Pantry by providing a meal once a month to anyone who will bring a non-perishable food item. Staff have begun packing and delivering the meals in cooperation with the Monson Senior Center. The meal is served at the church, 162 Main St., Monson on the third Saturday of each month from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. For more information call 267-3798.

SENIOR LUNCHEON. The Monson Council on Aging invites seniors over age 60 to its luncheon program every Monday – Friday at the Monson Senior Center, 106 Main St., Monson. Home cooked meals are always served at noon. The requested donation of \$2.50 includes the entrée, bread, dessert and beverage. Menus are available in the COA newsletter. Luncheon reservations must be made by 2:30 p.m. the day before you would like to come to lunch. For more info or van reservations, call 267-4121.

GAME NIGHT will be held at Top Floor Learning at the Palmer Public Library the second Tuesday of each month: Sept. 10, Oct. 8, Nov. 12 and Dec. 10 (2019) and Jan. 14, Feb. 11 and March 10 (2020) from 6-7:45 p.m. There is no fee or registration required, and attendants must be 16 years of age or older unless accompanied by an adult. Games include Scrabble, Cribbage, Monopoly, Rummy, Chess, Checkers, Uno, Yahtzee, Bridge, Skipbo, Crazy 8’s, Hearts, Dominos, etc. Attendees may bring their own. For more information call 283-2329 or email palewis19@yahoo.com.

MAKE A DONATION to the Monson Free Library in honor of a special person or family member, in the form of a book, DVD or CD, audio book or magazine subscription. The person will receive a letter informing them of your gift. The cost of donations is \$25 for a book, \$20 for a CD or DVD, \$100 for an audio book and \$20 for a magazine subscription. For more information call 267-3866.

TUESDAY, FEB. 11

BAKE SALE On Feb. 11, the Friends of the Monson Free Library will hold a bake sale. The sale will begin at 10:30 a.m. and will go until sold out. Members of the Friends will bake many goodies featuring scones, pies, cookies, cakes and special Valentine treats. Proceeds from the sale will benefit programs at the library including story hours, museum passes, and a multitude of activities.

TUESDAY, FEB. 16

FREE MOVIE - Described as “A very beautiful film” by Pope Benedict XVI, come see the movie “Bakhita From Slave to Saint” Sunday, Feb. 16, at 6 p.m., at St. Patrick’s Church, Columbia Hall, Green Street in Monson. Canonized in 2000, this is the story of Josephine Bakhita, the patron saint of Sudan. Admission is free and refreshments served.

SATURDAY, FEB. 22

TURKEY DINNER The Palmer Lions Club will hold a turkey dinner on Saturday, Feb. 22, at 6 p.m., at the Second Congregational Church, 1080 Pleasant St., in Plamer. Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$6 for children six and under. For tickets call 413-283-5782.

ONGOING

CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP Please join us at 6 p.m. every first Thursday of the month at Palmer Healthcare Center, 250 Shearer St. Palmer. Light refreshments will be served Contact Kate Martin at 413-283-8361 for more information.

CHRISTIANITY EXPLORED - Who is Jesus? What did he achieve? How should we respond? “Christianity Explored” is a study which seeks to answer these questions from the Gospel of Mark. The course involves seven weekly one-hour sessions using Bible study, related DVD viewing, and discussion of the pertinent passages. For more information contact Mal at 413-267-5025.

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES at the Brimfield Senior Center, located in the First Congregational Church, 20 Main St., Brimfield include strength training classes on Mondays and Thursdays from 9-10 a.m.;

Tai Chi on Tuesdays and Fridays from 9-10 a.m.; gentle arthritis and chair yoga combo classes on Tuesdays at 10 a.m.; bingo on the second and fourth Wednesday of the monthly (\$1 per card, 25 cents per game, cover-all price \$10); There is a suggested donation of \$2 for 55 and up and \$3 for under 55. Lunch is served on Tuesdays and Thursdays, with reservations required by 11 a.m. on the previous day. There is a \$2 suggested donation. Planning, crocheting and knitting is offered the first Friday of each month and massage with Vicki is offered the third Tuesday of the month from 9:15-11:15 a.m., by appointment only. The cost is \$5 for 10 minutes and \$15 for 20 minutes. For more information call 413-245-7253.

KEEP HOMESTEAD MUSEUM is closed for winter and will re-open on April 5, 2020 at 35 Ely Rd., Monson. Nature trails are open daily for hiking, snowshoeing and cross-country skiing. New trail maps can be found in the parking lot. The Phillips Sculpture Garden is open year-round (handouts in box on one of the sign posts) For more information call 413-267-4137, email khm@keephomesteadmuseum.org or visit www.keephomesteadmuseum.org

BAYSTATE WING AUXILIARY GIFT SHOP sells unique merchandise at reasonable prices. Gift shop hours are Monday through Friday, 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. with some weekend hours extended during the holidays. All proceeds benefit the Baystate Wing Hospital, a major part of the community, and provide scholarships to seniors graduating from local high schools. Call 413-370-8169 for more information.

MONSON DEMOCRATS WANTED by the Monson Democratic Town Committee that holds meetings on the fourth Thursday of each month at the Polish American Citizens Club, 7 Bliss St., Monson at 7 p.m.

HAVE YOU HAD A BABY RECENTLY? If you are living in the Palmer, Monson or surrounding communities and you have a newborn baby, call the Palmer Monson Family Network at 283-6246 to get your free canvas bag packing with information for you and practical goodies for your baby. The Family Network, a Collaborative for Educational Services program, is funded by a grant from the Massachusetts Department of Early Education and Care.

PLAY & LEARN DROP-IN TIME is happening throughout the school year at the Palmer Monson Family Network on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 10-11:30am. The free playgroup includes free play time, snack and circle time and is open to all families and caregivers and their children from 0-5 years old. All PMFN programs are free. The PMFN is located at 4 Springfield St. in Three Rivers and is a program of the Collaborative of Educational Services and receives funding from the Mass. Department of Early Education and Care. For more information call 283-6246.

INFANT AND TODDLER TIME at the Palmer Monson Family Network is available for families with little ones from 0-24 months of age. The free program happens throughout the school year on Wednesdays from 9-10:30 a.m. and provides a fun environment for families and caregivers to connect with others with young children. Snack and circle time are included. Call 283-6246 for more information.

HOLLAND COMMUNITY CENTER, 40 Brimfield Holland, has announced the following recurring events: Stay Fit classes with Sharon on Mondays at 9:30 a.m., Dance Fit with Alice on Tuesdays at 6 p.m., Low Impact Workout with Debbie Sichel on Wednesdays at 10 a.m., Yoga with Sharon on Wednesdays at 5 p.m. and Tai Chi with David Masera every other Thursday at 10 a.m. For more information call 413-245-3163.

STORYTELLING WITH COLLEEN LOWE-SMITH at the Brimfield Senior Center, located in the First Congregational Church, 20 Main St., Brimfield, Mondays at 10:30 a.m. In this group, participants will reflect together on life experiences and practice the art of listening as well as telling. Celebrate one another’s unique stories, inspire one another, create empathy, discover wisdom, and provoke one another to reflect more deeply on one’s own experiences. Participants are welcome to just listen or to tell a story. There is no cost for this program. Call 413-245-7253 for further information.

FRIDAY ZUMBA CLASSES are offered at the Palmer Senior Center, 1029 Central St., Palmer, on Fridays at 9:30 a.m. Zumba Fitness is a Latin-inspired

cardio-dance workout that uses music and choreographed steps to form a fitness party atmosphere. People of all ages, shapes and sizes are welcome. Erin Wallace, certified Zumba Fitness instructor, gauges abilities and makes sure everyone exercises safely. The fee is \$25 for five classes or \$7 for drop-in. For more information, contact Wallace at 413-668-7284 or wallacee413@gmail.com.

ELBOW PLANTATION HISTORICAL SOCIETY meets the second Thursday of every month (except July, August, January and February in the community room of the Palmer Public Library, 1455 North Main St., Palmer from 2-4 p.m.

KIDS’ CHESS CLUB is hosted at the Palmer Public Library, 1455 North Main St., Palmer on Tuesday afternoons in the community room from 4-5 p.m. All ages are welcome, including kindergarten through grade 12, families and adults. There is no need to sign-up. For more information contact William Nolte at 413-596-9021.

DIAMOND NATIONAL/CASCADES DIAMOND. Did you every work there? Former employees meet on the third Tuesday of every month at Burgundy Brook Restaurant on Route 181 in Palmer from 9-10 a.m. The stories shared are often colorful but old friendships are renewed.

TICK TALK – A Lyme disease support group of Monson will meet at Grace Community Church at the Norcross House, 125 Main St., Monson the last Saturday of every month from 10 a.m.-noon. The group can be found online at facebook.com/monsonlymesupport/ or monsonlymesupport.com.

FREE PLAYGROUP sponsored by Union 61 Family Foundation Five Grant at Hitchcock Free Academy in Brimfield. Music and Movement on Wednesday, 9-9:45 a.m. and Playgroup on Monday and Thursday 9-11 a.m. For more information, visit www.hitchcockacademy.org or call 413-245-9977.

A NEW, ONGOING ACA (Adult Children of Alcoholic/Dysfunctional Families) will be held on Friday nights at the First Church of Monson, 5 High St., Monson. ACA is a 12-step support group for adults raised in an alcoholic or otherwise dysfunctional family. “Another Way to Live” will meet at 6:30 p.m. Voluntary donations only.

WEEKLY CLASSES at Holland Community Center, 40 Brimfield Road, Holland. Mondays and Wednesdays lunch is served at noon, reservations required by calling 413-245-3163 and a \$2 donation is requested. Mondays at 10 a.m. is yoga class with Mah Jongg, and Monday evenings at 6 p.m. is Texas Hold ‘Em. Tuesdays at 10 a.m. is the Coffee Social which is open to everyone, and Open Crafts are held on Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Zumba is held on Wednesdays at 10 a.m., Mah Jongg is at 1 p.m. and Yoga is at 5 p.m., plus Pitch at 6:30 p.m. Stained glass is every Thursday from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. and 6-9 p.m. and Cribbage is weekly on Thursdays at 12:15 p.m. Walking Club is on Thursdays at 4 p.m. The Billiard Room is open Monday through Thursday from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. and 6-9 p.m. For everyone. For more information, call 413-245-3163.

MONTHLY CLASSES at Holland Community Center, 40 Brimfield Road, Holland. Cards Against Humanity on the third Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. and Magic the Gathering on the fourth Tuesday of the month at 6 p.m. Everyone is welcome. For more information call 413-245-3163.

CARD AND/OR BOARD GAMES will be offered at the Brimfield Senior Center, located in the First Congregational Church, 20 Main St., Brimfield, on the first and third Wednesdays of each month from 10:30 a.m.-noon. Light snacks and beverages will be provided. A \$1 donation is suggested. For more information call 413-245-7253.

MONDAY ZUMBA CLASSES are offered at Memorial Town Hall, 198 Main St., Monson, on Mondays at 8:30 a.m., sponsored by the Monson Parks and Recreation Department. Zumba Fitness is a Latin-inspired cardio-dance workout that uses music and choreographed steps to form a fitness party atmosphere. People of all ages, shapes and sizes are welcome. Erin Wallace, certified Zumba Fitness instructor, gauges abilities and makes sure everyone exercises safely. The fee is \$30 for five classes or \$8 for drop-ins. For more information, contact Wallace at 413-668-7284 or wallacee413@gmail.com.

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS is a

nonprofit fellowship or society of men and women for whom drugs had become a major problem. The group is comprised of recovering addicts who meet regularly to help each other stay clean. Local meetings are held every Sunday at 6:30 p.m. at The Living Room of Trinity Episcopal Church, 17 Park St., Ware; every Monday at 7 p.m. at St. Patrick’s Church, 22 Green St., Monson; Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. at the Belchertown United Congregational Church, 18 Park St., Belchertown; every Thursday at 7:30 p.m. and the Palmer Historical & Cultural Center, 2072 Main St., Three Rivers; and every Saturday at 7 p.m. at the Second Congregational Church, 1080 Pleasant St., Palmer. For more information or to find additional meetings throughout the New England area, visit www.nema.org.

FREE MUSIC AND MOVEMENT CLASS at Hitchcock Free Academy in Brimfield. All ages are welcome in this free program sponsored by Union 61 Family Foundation 5, held on Wednesdays, 9-9:45 a.m.; no programs during school vacations or holidays. Listen and move to music and create some of your own. The instructor is Jenn Gagnon. For more information, call Patti Sinko at 508-867-2232 or email sinkop@tantasqua.org.

NEW MUSEUM PASSES are available at the Monson Free Library, 2 High St., Monson. The Friends of the Monson Free Library have renewed the list of museum passes which include free or discounted admission to area attractions like the Connecticut Science Museum, MassMOCA, New England Air Museum, Worcester Art Museum and the Wadsworth Athenaeum. Old favorites that are still available include the Eric Carle Museum, Massachusetts state parks, Mystic Aquarium, Smith College Museum of Art, Springfield Museums and the USS Constitution.

PRE-SCHOOL STORY TIME will be held at the Monson Free Library, 2 High St., every Wednesday morning at 10:30 a.m. Join the group for stories, crafts and silliness. No registration is needed and all are welcome.

BOUNCE AND RHYME BABY TIME will be held at the Monson Free Library, 2 High St., every Friday morning at 10:30 a.m. Stories, songs and rhymes for children up to 2 ½. No registration is required and all are welcome.

PALMER FOOD SHARE, INC., an emergency food pantry, is open on Tuesdays and Fridays from 9:30-11:15 a.m. Food Share is located at 39 Walnut St. in Palmer. Call 283-3614 with questions or to order to pick up food.

FAMILY MUSEUM PASSES are available from the Palmer Public Library. Use your library card to borrow passes to area museums for free or reduced admission to regular museum exhibits at locations like Boston Museum of Science, Ecotarium, Eric Carle Museum, Holyoke Children’s Museum, Mass Audubon, Mass. State Parks, Mystic Aquarium, Normal Rockwell Museum, Salem Witch Museum, Springfield Library & Museums and the U.S.S. Constitution. Passes may be reserved ahead for a specific day by calling the library at 283-3330 ext. 0 or at www.palmer.lib.mas.us.

AL-ANON FRIDAY NIGHT BOOK STUDY meetings - a fellowship of relatives and friends of alcoholics who share their experience, strength and hope in order to solve our common problems. We believe alcoholism is a family illness and that changed attitudes can aid recovery. Al-Anon has one purpose, to help families and friends of alcoholics. The group meets Fridays at Second Congregational Church, 1080 Pleasant St., Palmer from 6:30-7:30 p.m. a

QUILTERS OF MONSON meet every Tuesday, 1-4 p.m. at Columbia Hall, across from St. Patrick’s Church in Monson at 22 Green St. Experienced and beginner quilters get together to work on projects, exchange idea, provide help and encouragement in a friendly and fun atmosphere. For more information call Wendy Skillman at 413-355-0305 or email WendySkill@hotmail.com or go to ‘Monson Quilts’ on Facebook.

STAINED GLASS CLASSES at the Holland Senior Center are on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 6:30 to 9 p.m. Tai Chi (Qui Chong) with Dave Masera has moved to Monday mornings at 9:00 a.m. Power Yoga on Thursday nights has ended and will resume in the Fall. Movie Night has also returned to the center and will commence on Thursdays in May. For more information contact the center at 413-245-3163.

HCC expands ‘Cooking Confidently’ series this spring

HOLYOKE – Holyoke Community College is taking its “Cooking Confidently” series up a notch for the spring 2020 semester.

The program of three-hour cooking classes for home chefs will expand to three times a month beginning Friday, Feb. 7, when Chef Tracy Carter will present “Uptown Italian Comfort,” from 6 to 9 p.m., at the HCC MGM Culinary Arts Institute, where she will demonstrate how to prepare pork chops scarpellio with creamy polenta and a lemon semolina cake.

The next session will be Chef Carter’s “Tapas Night” Friday, Feb. 21, followed by “Italian Classics: Back to Naples” Friday, Feb. 28, with Chef Dino Diaz.

Each single-session, hands-on “Cooking Confidently” class has a unique culinary theme. Participants will learn how to prepare appetizers, salads, sauces, entrees and desserts, dine on their creations, and leave with leftovers and the knowledge and skills to replicate those recipes at home.

All the cooking and baking



Chef Tracy Carter, of Chicopee, leads a cooking class at the Holyoke Community College MGM Culinary Arts Institute. For information, visit hcc.edu.

classes meet from 6 to 9 p.m. at the HCC MGM Culinary Arts Institute, 164 Race St. The cost for each class is \$84, and space is limited.

Tracy Carter of Chicopee is a graduate of the International Culinary Schools at the Art Institute

in Los Angeles, an HCC Culinary Arts program instructor and a freelance food stylist for the Food Network.

To register, visit www.hcc.edu/bce and search for “food” or call 413-552-2123.

UMass Opera to Present Mozart’s The Magic Flute

AMHERST – The UMass Opera program at the University of Massachusetts Amherst Department of Music and Dance will present Mozart’s classic opera, “The Magic Flute,” K. 620 on Friday, Feb. 21, at 7:30 p.m. and again on Sunday, Feb. 23 at 3 p.m. in Bowker Auditorium. The performances will be sung in the original German, but with English dialogue and supertitles projected above the Bowker Auditorium proscenium.

“The Magic Flute” was first performed in 1791, only a few weeks before Mozart’s untimely death at age 35. His close friend, Emanuel Schikaneder, provided the libretto; the work stands today as one of the most beloved and frequently performed operas in the canon.

Students from the department’s Opera Workshop have been in preparation since last fall under the supervision of faculty co-producers Jamie-Rose Guarrine and Marjorie Melnick, who also provided the musical preparation. The production’s co-directors are Stephanie Carlson and Ellen Kaplan, with music direction by Mark Lane Swanson, and Tony Thornton,



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Tickets are \$15 for the general public and \$5 for students, seniors and children through age 18. UMass students are admitted free. Tickets may be purchased at

the Fine Arts Center Box Office, by phone at 413-545-2511, or online at www.fineartscenter.com/musicanddance. Free and secure parking is available in the nearby Campus Center Garage, located on Campus Center Way.

Scout ice fishing derby moved to Feb. 16

WEST BROOKFIELD – West Brookfield Boy Scout Troop 118 will hold its 44th annual Memorial Ice Fishing Derby on Sunday, Feb. 16, from 7:30 a.m.- 3 p.m., on Lake

Wickaboag. It was originally going to be held this Sunday, but it has been moved to Feb. 16.

Tickets are \$1 and are available from any Scout. It entitles each en-

trant to register a fish and participate in door prize drawing. Door prizes have been donated by local businesses and groups.

The prizes are for adults, four \$50 prizes - largest pickerel, bass, perch and pout. The prizes for youth under 15 are first, second and third place trophies in each category of pickerel, bass, perch and pout.

Awards and door prize drawings will be at 3 p.m.

Derby proceeds help pay for Scouts to attend summer camp at Treasure Valley Scout Camp.

This event held in memory of Mark Cook, Peter Coulthard, J. Irving England, Michael Higgins and Dick Shepardson.

The Chiefs last day



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Palmer Police Chief John Janulewicz, far right, listens as State Rep. Todd Smola, R-Warren, read a State House resolution in Janulewicz’s honor during the retirement party last Friday.



Police Chief Christopher Burns, left, shake hands with his predecessor, Chief John Janulewicz, at the latter’s retirement party last Friday.



Palmer Police Chief John Janulewicz, far right, has fun talking with well wishers at his retirement part last Friday.



Police Chief Christopher Burns and State Rep. Todd Smola, R-Warren, take a few minutes to catch up during the retirement party for Police Chief John Janulewicz last Friday.



A line formed as people waited to speak to Palmer Police Chief John Janulewicz during his retirement party last Friday.

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a truly remarkable career bringing honor and distinction to himself and the Palmer Police Department, will be sorely missed by both the Police Department and the residents of the town of Palmer for his continual performance at the highest level in the name of public safety,” he read in part. The resolution also went on to congratulate Janulewicz on his career and retirement.

Police Chief Christopher Burns, who was recently appointed as the town’s next police chief, presented the chief with a plaque from the Police Department and described Janulewicz as a mentor and a friend, and wished him well.

Janulewicz then unpinned his chief’s badge and presented it to Burns.



A cake for Palmer Police Chief John Janulewicz’s retirement was part of the refreshments on hand to celebrate his last full day at work.

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